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Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
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RE: Department of Health Final-Omitted Regulation #10-191/IRRC #2860

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli,

On behalf of the Certified Registered Nurse Practioner (CRNP) who provides quality care to the residents of Grandview Health Homes, I would like to express my strong support of the final-omitted regulation entitled "Physician Assistants and Certified Nurse Practioner" as issued by the Department of Health. I urge the Independant Regulatory Review Commission to approve this regulation when it is considered at the September 16th meeting.

Under the amended version of this regulation, a physician must cosign documentation completed by the CRNP when appropriate. This change would remove constraints that were placed on the relationship between the CRNP and collaborating physicaian and allow for CRNP's to be utilized in a more efficient manner in accordance with their training and the Professional Nursing Law. The regulation will result in a reduction of existing, unnecessary and burdensome record keeping and paperwork.

I recognize the overall benefits that this regulation would have on our skilled nursing facility, physicians, the CRNP and the residents we serve. I support the Physician Assistant and Certified Registered Nurse Practioners final-omit regulation number 10-191. I am confident that the results of this regulation will positively impact residents in nursing homes across the Commonwealth.

Respectfully Submitted,

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