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To Whom It May Concern:

I was disappointed to discover that the PA Board of Chiropractic is set to implement a rule change pertaining to continuing education (CE) credits. Specifically, the proposal to limit the number CE hours to 12 per renewal period, via online, asynchronous learning.

I wish to state my opposition to such a change that has been in effect for at least the last 10 years and has been an economical, efficient, and effective way for PA licensed chiropractors to obtain their CE credits.

As many institutions awarding advanced degrees offer asynchronous distance learning courses, including MS and PhD degrees, I do not see any rationale to justify a change in the established method for chiropractors to obtain their CE requirements. Furthermore, given that PA licensed MDs are able to completely fulfill their CE requirements with asynchronous learning, why are we asked to do otherwise? I believe that we should stay on par with our MD counterparts and not regress by imposing more restrictive requirements.

Moreover, the asynchronous distance learning courses that I have taken have been informative, timely, and offer state of the art computer aided instruction including videos, demonstrations and printable documents for future reference, as well as the ability to contact the instructor if so inclined. I do not see any discernable advantage (and in fact, would point out various disadvantages of increased time away from our offices, travel expenses, and time away from our families) especially given the current state of chiropractic practice in the state of PA and the ever-worsening insurance climate. Considering the lack of any apparent benefit and the substantive professional, financial and personal costs this rule change would impose, I adamantly contest it.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

Regards,
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