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Dear Chairman George D. Bedwick and Independent Regulatory Review Commission Members:  
I am contacting you to voice my support for the regulation implementing the Naturopathic Doctors Registration Act (Regulation [#16A-4953](#): Registration of Naturopathic Doctors). This regulation will allow Naturopathic Doctors in Pennsylvania to work with patients who can be assured of a Naturopathic Doctor's training, background, and proper regulation. This final-form regulation also contains language that correctly distinguishes Naturopathic Doctors from other various lay practitioners in the Commonwealth. This was accomplished by the PA State Board of Medicine voting to strike section 18.907(b) of the regulation which the PA Association of Naturopathic Physicians has been supportive of.  
I found myself with a health issue that would have left me with a 50 percent chance of a colostomy bag in my 40's had I only seen doctors covered by my insurance. They told me that was my only option. Then I sought out help and found my Naturopath Doctor and she literally changed my life! Through listening to me, understanding my body as a whole, and helping me to change things such as diet and lifestyle, I was able to overcome my daily habitual pain that was limiting my ability to live a normal life. I am forever grateful and still see her, out of pocket, for my best health.  
I hope you appreciate the need for this and help PA become a frontrunner in better healthcare.  
Thank you for your time, Chris Hermann 2318 Marbury Road Pittsburgh, PA 15221 412 303 1041  
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