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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). As an RN with almost 50 years of experience in healthcare as well as a consumer of Naturopathic healthcare, I see a need for licensure and or regulation of naturopathic practice. Many consumers are confused about alternative healthcare practitioners and their qualifications. We need to ensure that consumers, especially those who are desperate as allopathic care has not met their needs, can differentiate qualified ND practitioners who have gone through an accredited 4 year medical training program and passed extensive boards, from those alternative healthcare providers who have not undergone rigorous training. Please help PA be a place where consumers have options in their choice of healthcare providers, with reasonable government oversight to ensure safety.

Thank you.

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