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Hello,

I am writing in support of the Proposed Rulemaking 16-4955 in reference to Physician Assistants as written. The changes in these regulations will modernize the delivery of patient care by the Physician – PA teams in Pennsylvania. I feel this change essential to the PA field as some physicians have voiced bias against hiring a PA when an NP can practice independently as deemed by the Board of Nursing. The co-sign has been directly cited as one of the rationale. Our education is comparable to NPs and many of us trained alongside physicians in the medical model. I have nearly 20 years of experience in my field and have garnered the trust of my supervising physicians to deliver care independently. Please help keep us competitive in the job market and allow us to continue to make a positive contribution to the care of patients in Pennsylvania.

*Thank you for your consideration and Happy Holidays!
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