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I am a physician practicing in Beaver, Pennsylvania, and currently supervise Mrs. Martha Newman and Ms. Dolores Soltes. I want you to know I support the proposed changes in Pennsylvania's Code Title 49, Chapter 18, relating to the scope of physician assistants and their practice.

I have reviewed the changes which are being requested. I must admit I support all of them wholeheartedly. I think the real issue is making sure there is a physician overseeing the physician assistant, and that he/she is comfortable with the scope of practice within which they work.

As a licensed physician in Pennsylvania, I urge you adopt these proposed changes. In advance, I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

George W. Brett, III, M.D.

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