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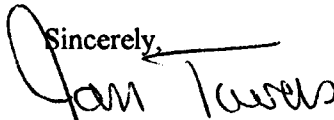
Ann Steffanic, Board Administrator
State Board of Nursing
Box 2649
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Steffanic,

I am writing in behalf of the Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners to provide written comment to the proposed rule making adding Section 21.332-21.337 Annex A detailing the requirements of continuing education for certified registered nurse practitioners who are approved to prescribe and dispense drugs in accordance with Section 21.283.

Our review of the proposed rules finds them to be equitable and consistent with continuing education requirements in other states. The changes made from the draft document were reviewed and found to be appropriate. We therefore encourage you to adopt these rules as final rules. If there is anything we can do to help with the implementation of this process, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan Towers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

Jan Towers PhD, NP-C, CRNP
Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners