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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of R087-25, which would allow Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) and Registered Nurses (RNs) to appropriately delegate clinical tasks to qualified Medical Assistants (MAs). As a nurse leader working in today's healthcare environment, I see firsthand the increasing demands placed on providers and care teams. Allowing APRNs and RNs to delegate within their scope supports safe, efficient, team-based care while ensuring patients receive timely services. Medical Assistants are valuable members of the healthcare team who are trained to perform specific clinical and administrative functions. When delegation occurs under the supervision and clinical judgment of a licensed nurse, it enhances workflow, improves access to care, and allows nurses and providers to focus on higher-level clinical decision-making. This does not replace the need to nurses in the clinic settings.

This change reflects how modern outpatient and urgent care settings already function across much of the country. It promotes:

- Improved patient access and reduced wait times
- Better utilization of the full care team
- Increased efficiency without compromising safety
- Support for nurses to practice at the top of their license

Importantly, R087-25 does not remove accountability from licensed nurses. Delegation remains a professional responsibility that includes assessment of competency, task appropriateness, and supervision. Healthcare delivery continues to evolve, and regulations must evolve with it. Supporting appropriate delegation strengthens care teams, improves patient experience, and helps address workforce challenges while maintaining patient safety.

For these reasons, I strongly support the adoption of R087-25. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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