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Sent: Monday, March 10, 2025 7:01 PM
To: Sen. Löki Tobin
Subject: Support SB 89

Dear Senator Tobin


I strongly urge you to support SB 89.

I know you are aware of the health care provider crisis in Alaska that in one way or another affects every single Alaskan. Supporting PA's through the passage of SB 89 would help to reduce that crisis. There are many individuals, myself included, who rely on the health care expertise and guidance of Alaskas PA's. Unfortunately because of the outdated laws governing the practices of PA's in our state, we have lost, and will continue to lose this incredible resource unless we update the law governing their ability to provide care.

SB 89 recognizes the training and background of PA's. It provides sufficient training requirements and oversight. Additionally it recognizes the advanced training that PA's have. Alaska could be, in fact should be, the leader in adding the valuable resource of our PA's to our healthcare networks.

Please vote yes for the passage of SB 89 and help ensure that current and future generations of Alaskans will be able to take advantage of receiving health care from Alaskan PA's.

Sincerely,
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Please support the passage of SB 89 as it's written.

The PA profession is not in STATUTE. This bill protects PAs in the future while still being regulated by the Medical Board. This is important because about three years ago the PA profession was almost decimated by a single person (the Chair) on the Medical Board. It's important for PAs to be a permanent part of the medical team in AK.

Alaska is the perfect place for this much needed update. Our practice parameters have not changed since their origination in 1974. Other "rural" states are embracing this update to PA regulations. PAs are not trying to be "independent practitioners". We simply want parity with our NP colleagues, to be a more equal part of the medical team. Healthcare will always be a 'team' but we are dependent on doctors & our collaborative agreements; some doctors don't "want our liability" which makes finding jobs harder. This is simply "independent licensing".

I am an experienced PA with over 14 years of Fam Med experience - why do I still need to be tied to ONE collaborating physician? A physician that I may or may not even consult with when it's time to involve the "team of medicine".

Please support SB89 keep PAs working hard for Alaskans.

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