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Dear Senator Wilson,

I am against Naturopathic practitioners increasing their scope of practice especially doing procedures. Medical practitioners spend years and untold hours with many checks and balances recognizing disease and the multiple treatments options to tailor care take is most appropriate to a specific individual. Their mantra is “right” patient “right” procedure. Not all procedures are appropriate for all patients. The medical physician has also been trained to recognize when a procedure goes wrong with complications . Like when an IUD has been poked through a uterus and now is in the belly of the patient which can be life threatening if bowel is perforated. The OBGYN has been trained to quickly recognize, order appropriate diagnostic tests and surgically treat the complication. These procedures are not without risk to the general population.

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