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The Honorable Members of the Rhode Island General Assembly
State House
Providence, RI

Subject: Support for Bill RI H-5351 to Protect Scope of Practice for Medical and Aesthetic Professionals

Dear Members of the Rhode Island, General Assembly,

I am writing to express my strong support for Bill RI H-5351, which seeks to allow all medical and aesthetic professionals in Rhode Island to work and delegate to the full extent of their scope of practice.

I am both a patient and a Nurse Practitioner. I have worked tirelessly to achieve the ability and privilege to provide autonomous, safe, and effective treatment for many patients of Rhode Island. I have undergone countless hours of clinical and didactic training in order provide evidence based individualized plans of care. As both a patient and colleague of Jana Magarian I have experienced first-hand the exceptional care and expertise that she provides.

Rhode Island is fortunate to be a a full practice authority state, allowing NPs to operate independent without unnecessary supervision. This autonomy has enabled my nurse practitioner to deliver timely and effective treatment, improving both my health and quality of life. However, I am concerned that restrictive interpretations of guidelines could jeopardize access to this care. Limiting nurse practitioners ability to practice fully would not only disrupt continuity of care but also reduce access to affordable, high quality healthcare for many Rhode Islanders.

I urge you to pass this bill and maintain Rhode Island's leadership in promoting accessible and efficient healthcare. Patients like me depends on the expertise and autonomy of nurse practitioners and other professionals who are committed to improving our lives.

Thank you for considering these important legislations.

Sincerely,

Amber Savoie.