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**Subject:** Pleas oppose Bill 7740

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I am writing to urge you to oppose House Bill 7740.

This bill would restrict qualified Nurse Practitioners from providing moderate (conscious) sedation despite appropriate training, credentialing, and established clinical safeguards. In practice, this would reduce patient access to needed procedures, cause avoidable delays, and increase healthcare costs.

Nurse Practitioners play a critical role in providing timely, safe, and high-quality care across Rhode Island. Restricting moderate sedation authority in this way would create unnecessary barriers for patients and undermine efficient care delivery.

Decisions about sedation privileges should be based on education, demonstrated competency, credentialing, and facility policy, not broad statutory restrictions that fail to reflect real-world practice.

I respectfully ask you to oppose House Bill 7740 and support policies that protect patient access and allow qualified clinicians to practice to the full extent of their training.

Sincerely,

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