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I am opposed to the passing of this bill. As an emergency department nurse, hospital wide educator, and emergency department educator I have firsthand experience to speak on this topic.

We have to go through extensive training and yearly credentialing to be able to practice in areas where these situations require the very medications that are affected by this bill.

As a patient is in the process of being diagnosed, cared for and treated by nurses and advanced nurse practitioners we have to act swiftly and efficiently. Taking away our ability to perform within our scope of practice is taking away from the citizens of Rhode Island as well as all of the tourists who choose to vacation in The Ocean State.

The ramifications of passing this bill are enormous. I would like to suggest that you consider developing a panel that can function under Rhode Island's Department of Health comprised of APRNs, RN and Physicians. This panel should evaluate all aspects of practice guidelines and the changes needed as medical care advancements and practices evolve.

I would also like to recommend that you consider taking a tour with some of my colleagues to see firsthand what the medical teams in your state achieve on a daily basis.

I would be willing to volunteer to assist with ongoing research into practice guidelines and policies and procedures. To develop safe evidence based care for all who seek care in our state. Feel free to contact me for further assistance.

Best Regards,

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