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HB 5537

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Dear CT PHC Testimony,

Dear Senator Gerratana, Representative Johnson, and esteemed members of the Public Health Committee:

I write to ask you to strongly support and vote in the affirmative to add bill language for the modernization of the CT Naturopathic physician scope of practice to HB 5537. The language needs to be attached to this bill so it can come before the Public Health Committee for consideration. This Naturopathic scope of practice law is 90 years old and has not kept pace with the significant advances in education and training of Naturopathic doctors in the ensuing decades.

I feel that it would be very beneficial if Nd's privileges were increased. Their training is exceptional. I strongly feel that they should be allowed to write rx so that they do not have to refer a patient to a md. I feel that this would decrease the costs to individuals as well as insurance companies.

Thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dianne Crowe