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Governor's SB 36

**My name is Scott Credit.**

**I live in Killingly Connecticut and have been practicing as a Nurse Practitioner since 1999. Independent Practice by nurse practitioners is not a new concept and it is strongly supported by the literature. Please give the citizens of Connecticut your support with SB 36. Thank you for your consideration.**

**Sincerely,**

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- Nurse practitioners in 18 states and Washington DC can practice independently (Reisman, 2013)
- With an additional 32 million Americans covered through the Affordable Care Act (AFC), the primary care physician shortage could be catastrophic (Reisman, 2013)
- Nurse Practitioner-delivered care, across settings, is at least equivalent to that of physician-delivered care in regards to safety and quality (O'Grady, 2008)
- The office of technology demonstrated comparable medical care task at lower cost than physicians (NNCC, 2009)
- Fifty years of research has shown that primary care provided by nurse practitioners has been as safe and effective as care provided by Physicians (Institute of Medicine, 2011)
- APRNs are more likely than physicians to care for large numbers of minority patients (Gavel, Feinstein & Shelanski, 2013)
- Lifting the barriers on the scope of practice will help solve the health care dilemma (Institute of Medicine, 2011)

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