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To Whom it May Concern,

My daughter has been a patient of Dr. Werner, in Portland, OR, for 3 years. She has diagnosed and treated problems, that my daughter experienced from dance, with her ability to expertly exam her; however we have been sent to other facilities to obtain imaging, costing us more money and time and ultimately a longer recovery scenario for my daughter, because of the lengthy process in scheduling, insurance, etc. It could have been avoided if Dr. Werner were able to conduct the imaging herself.

I support Physical Therapists demands to

- 1: Order diagnostic imaging when appropriate. ie. x-rays
- 2: Prescribe durable medical equipment, like crutches
- 3: Protect their 3 initials (DPT)
- 4: Certify a patient's application for a disability hanging placard or license plate
- 5: And allow dry needling as a part of therapeutic practice.

Giving my daughter's DPT these rights will support and enhance the level of care and treatment that she provides my daughter and other patients. It will enable DPT's to do their jobs more efficiently and successfully, by not having to rely and trust outside sources. I urge the Senate to support DPTs like Dr. Werner who make a difference in peoples lives, in my daughter's life.

Thank you for your time.

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