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Dear David,

Thought I would drop you another letter to re-establish and re-confirm the Wyoming Association of Physicians' Assistants views regarding recertification and the National Dilemma regarding "test anxiety". I spoke with Ray Johnson who informed me that you had spoken to him regarding the feeling of the professionals in our state concerning the up-coming recertifying examination. I produced and reproduced copies of letters and correspondence that I had with your organization in August and September 1977. Well, Dave, two and one half years have passed, and the feelings of our organization have not changed one little bit.

John Steele, our delegate to the National Convention in Hollywood, Florida, reported that the whole mood and talk surrounding that fiasco was concern regarding a pencil and paper test of competence. If my fellow "professionals" are that anxious about a test of knowledge where no one gets hurt, except egos, then perhaps they had better think about changing jobs. They can still pump \$1.50 a gallon gas in their white lab coat and no one will get injured. We are tested daily, and with much more complicated questions, concerns, and judgements then you or anyone else could possibly reproduce on any test on any given day.

Ray Johnson and I would like to have lunch with you one day during the convention if time permits. We do not have a training program for PA's here in Wyoming. We are pretty sick of hearing about all of the students "problems". If they think they have problems now, just wait until they have completed their respective programs. Apparently these training programs have certainly done a rather poor job of training these individuals into accepting certain criteria which accompanies the profession, those being; personal pride, job excellence, and commitments to the highest standards of professionalism. We are certainly a sorry lot if attitudes do not change.

If we, in Wyoming, can be of any assistance in promoting high standards and excellence within our profession, do not hesitate to call upon us. We have always stood behind, aside, and above the National Certifying Commission in our ideals to improve our profession. Looking forward to seeing you in Cajun Country.

Very Ruraly yours,



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