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Patrick Morrissey  
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Dear Mr. Morrissey,

It is my pleasure to write to you in support of the Pain Management Best Practices Project that you have taken the initiative on in West Virginia.

I am well aware of the enormous problem of Opioid addiction and overdose deaths that have been plaguing our state for the past several years. The use of acupuncture and massage therapy as best practices for the treatment and management of pain is definitely a step in the right direction to assist with this epidemic problem. Acupuncture and massage therapy has been proven as effective methods of treatment and are beneficial in relieving pain and stress. Acupuncture and massage therapy can also assist patients in reducing and/or eliminating the use of opioids and pain medication. They are holistic options in the treatment of pain and pain management.

In conclusion, I fully support the efforts of the Attorney General's office on this project. The Boards' are excited about adopting the Pain Management Best Practices. The project is necessary and will have an impact on this massive problem in our state. I am honored to be working with your office on this very important issue. When we all work together on a project of this magnitude, the citizens of West Virginia will greatly benefit.

Sincerely,  
  
Linda Lyter  
President