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I am writing in support of this rule change for naturopathic doctors.

I have had chronic tick-borne diseases for 40 years. I have struggled to find knowledgeable Lyme physicians since moving to Maine from New Jersey. I am 84 years old now and find it very difficult to travel long distances to find someone who will listen to my health problems caused by these diseases and believe that in some cases they are caused by persistent infection. I found a very knowledgeable naturopath not far from my home who has been caring for me for some years now. Her hands are tied because she can't prescribe the newer, more effective drugs that treat these diseases at this time.

I hope these rules will change and allow naturopaths more freedom to care for their patients as they see fit.

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