

Good Morning,

My name is Kayla Duty, and I am the Assistant Director, Student Affairs for Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. For the last five years I have worked alongside medical students and residents in various capacities as an administrator, educator, and ally to the medical profession. I am a constituent of Columbus, Ohio 43207. I am writing in support of House Bill 89 “Regards intimate examination of anesthetized, unconscious patient”. As an educator and administrator within a medical student, I believe that consent is incredibly important when giving medical care. We instill into our medical students that care is a joint effort between themselves and the patients. By enforcing medical procedures that are intrusive and traumatizing without patient consent goes against the moral and ethics of the Hippocratic oath. Personally, as a woman who has had several pelvic exams – I can attest to the intrusive nature of these procedures, and no one should be submitted to them without the ability to be present and be able to consent to the care given. Thank you for your time and consideration and I hope you continue to listen to the voices of those who are advocating for positive changes within the medical field.

Sincerely,

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