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Nurse Practitioners Rally at the PA Capitol for Full Practice Authority

By Cassie Rusnak

HARRISBURG, PA – May 3, 2023: Nurse practitioners from across the Commonwealth joined together this morning at the PA Capitol in support of Senate Bill 25, a bill that would grant Full Practice Authority to nurse practitioners and end the outdated restrictions that tether them to physicians.

The nurse practitioners are represented by the Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners (PCNP), which represents over 16,000 nurse practitioners across Pennsylvania. At the Capitol today, many nurse practitioners emphasized that following the covid-19 pandemic and in the face of severe healthcare shortages, now is the time to pass Full Practice Authority and end the outdated restrictions they face while caring for patients in Pennsylvania.

Senator Camera Bartolotta (R) and Senator Lisa Boscola (D) led the morning's event as the prime sponsors of Senate Bill 25. The Senators addressed the urgent health care issues facing Pennsylvanians, including the severe worker shortage and the lack of Pennsylvanians who have a primary care provider, urging legislators to pass Senate Bill 25 as a solution to these pressing issues affecting patients across the Commonwealth.

"I've heard too many stories from my constituents about patients having to travel long distances – sometimes an hour or more – just to find a doctor accepting new patients," said Senator Camera Bartolotta, prime sponsor of Senate Bill 25. "The current restrictions placed on our

nurse practitioners only limit access and take options away from patients seeking care in Pennsylvania. Senate Bill 25 would lift these outdated restrictions and allow Pennsylvania's knowledgeable and highly-skilled nurse practitioners to do what they do best – care for

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Center - Senator Lisa Boscola (D) led the morning's event as the prime sponsor of Senate Bill 25 along with Senator Camera Bartolotta (R).

Waste Management's Generous Donation to The Knights' Order



Photo from March of 2022 - L-R WM District manager Joe Statile, PAHS Wally Schlegal superintendent, PAHS Krista Campbell character education director, WM Adrienne Fors and WM Sr district manager Adam DeRebbio

By Krista Campbell

PEN ARGYL - Last March Pen Argyl Area High School's Character Education program received a very generous donation of \$80,000 from Waste Management. The Knights' Order, the Character Education program at Pen Argyl High School is responsible for service projects throughout the school and community.

The Knights' Order focuses on improving school climate, culture, and tolerance through hosting events and activities meant to showcase integrity, fortitude, diversity, and kindness. Waste Management recognized all of the good we were doing for our school and made a 4-year commitment of giving us \$20,000 a year to help support our efforts.

Just last week we received our second check of \$20,000 that we look forward to using in all of our future projects. So far Character Education has used the first check we received to pay for service learning projects, which give teachers the opportunity to help students

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