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Pat Murdo, Lead Staff for the Economic Affairs Committee and All Members of the Economic Affairs Interim Committee:

My name is Tammi Daniel and I have received dry needling treatments by Dr. Patricia Holl several times over the past year. Dr. Holl is the staff chiropractor at the Yellowstone Naturopathic Clinic in Billings.

I am writing in support of dry needling being kept within the scope of practice for the chiropractic profession in Montana. As you know, dry needling and acupuncture are different treatments with differing approaches. Dry needling works directly on the site of injury, effecting soft tissue, fascia, scar tissue, etc.

I personally experienced the benefits of dry needling when Dr. Holl treated my shoulder injury last fall. The benefit of having a chiropractor treating with dry needling is their ability to diagnosis injury because of their years of extensive education/training of anatomy, physiology, and the biomechanics of joints and muscles. Dr. Holl was able to pinpoint my exact areas of injury and treat them accordingly (and successfully!) with dry needling.

I believe dry needling has a importance place in the practice of chiropractic medicine. Doctors of Chiropractic have the specialized education, training, and skills to treat with dry needling. I ask the committee to maintain dry needling certification within the scope of practice for Montana's Doctors of Chiropractic.

Sincerely,

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