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As a public health dental hygienist that work throughout Lancaster County I see urban, suburban and rural communities by going directly to the schools on a mobile dental bus. I deal directly with those of low socio-economic status who have often severe dental disease due to many factors, the biggest is access to care. Currently, if I do not have a fulltime dentist I can not even do my part to help reduce this infection. I am in full support of the changes for dental hygienist that will enable me to increase access to preventative care for these children and thier families.

Thank you,

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