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Mr. Grovich:

As a licensed dental hygienist in Pennsylvania I wish to voice my support to the changes proposed in the Dental Hygiene Regulations. They are good additions to help me further serve the dental health needs of the public. I especially mean the creation of a Public Health Dental Hygiene Practitioner. Please broaden where they may practice to include free health clinics like Community Volunteers in Medicine along with Federally Qualified Health Center Look -a- Likes and nonprofit clinics. I would also like to see the wording on my supervision in private practice to be: "level of supervision will be determined by the dentist and the RDH after review of the patients' medical and dental history". I am pleased to see the addition of a permit to administer local anesthesia by dental hygienists. I took and extensive course on it in the 1980's and then was not allowed to use it. I will look forward to taking the course required to administer it when these regulations are passed.

Thank you,



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