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Dear Mr. Govich,

My name is D. Walter Cohen, D.D.S. and I am a Periodontist with a private practice in Center City Philadelphia.

I strongly support the proposed regulations on Dental Hygien's Scope of Practice. I commend you on your support of the dental profession.

Please consider, in the final draft, including practice setting that are categorized as "free clinics" for the regulations for public health Dental Hygienists. This wording would help improve access to dental care in more public health settings.

Professionally yours,

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