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I support the proposed changes allowing expansion of the role of the RDH.

I further recommend changeing the wording regarding level of supervision to read: " level of supervision will be determined by the dentist and the RDH after review of the patient's medical and dental history".

I also recommend adding to the list of allowed sites in which the Public Health Dental Hygiene Practioners may practice: " free health clinics,federally qualified health center look-a-likes, and non-profit clinics.

I urge your cooperation and support to expand the role of the RDH to allow a much needed service to an already underserved population. Thank you for your consideration.

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