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To whom it may concern,

I am writing today to address my concerns with the proposed draft Regulation 49 to expand sites of independent practice for PHDHP. As a practicing dentist for over twelve years, it has always been my focus to provide the highest quality comprehensive care for my patients' dental as well as general health needs. This is something that I have accomplished well through a network of resources, people and education that have surrounded me daily. It is in this that I find a potential flaw in the expansion of access to dental care outside of the optimal dental office setting. Although I am not opposed to access of care, I fear that the level of care necessary for proper diagnosis and treatment will be hindered by the lack of proper resources, and hence, quality of that care will ultimately suffer. The importance of comprehensive medical history review, access to individuals with emergency care training (BLS certification, AED), diagnostic radiographs, correct diagnosis of necessary treatment and treatment follow through are all part of the pledge I make to the patients and the community I serve daily. I hold my profession as a privilege, and I fear this proposed regulation will create more challenges than solutions. I thank you for the opportunity to respond concerning this matter and I appreciate the continuing efforts to better our profession.

Sincerely,

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