

March 10, 2009

House Health and Human Services Committee Colorado State Capitol 200 East Colfax Denver, CO 80203

RE: Senate Bill 09-129

Dear Senator:

Oral Health Awareness Colorado! wishes to express its support for SB09-129 "concerning the duties that may be performed by a dental hygienist", as amended.

Currently, dental hygienists are unable to make a dental hygiene diagnosis which results in challenging communication between patient and practitioner and often results in the lack of restorative care for patients. This carefully crafted piece of legislation, an agreement between the Colorado Dental Association and the Colorado Dental Hygiene Association, will result in better oral health care for Coloradans.

Please support Senate Bill 09-129. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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