Response to comments.

The American Dental Association, in conjunction with the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors, the Children’s Dental Health Project, Medicaid/SCHIP Dental Association and the National Network for Oral Health Access provided comments. We respond to each.

**Include at least one dentist on each of the focus groups that include other private practice providers.**

Under our revised protocol, we intend to do this.

**Include representatives of dental software manufacturers on all of the focus groups.**

While software manufacturers are an important constituency, they are beyond the scope of this research. Only practitioners are included in any of the focus groups.

**Continue with the plan to have one focus group comprised of only private practice dentists.**

We intend to do this.