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.