



## Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health (AC4OH)

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Dear Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners,

During the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiner's (NSBDE) meeting on July 19, 2019, the minutes reflect a motion (line 72) to approve the request for an Advisory Opinion that Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) is included in the regulations under NAC 631.210 and to recommend how temporary restorations be placed. As a result, the Advisory Opinion 07192019-1 was issued.

Additionally, the minutes stated (line 75) that the "Executive Director asked that once the advisory opinion is written and issued, that it be sent to all other PHE approved programs and said programs can then request to amend their approved programs to include the board recommended changes as discussed." The Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health (AC4OH) would like to clarify the protocol for submitting the PHE program amendments because of the advisory opinion. Many programs have not been notified of protocols needed to implement the Advisory Opinion for SDF and glass ionomer. If this has not been done, we would like to suggest an addendum to existing programs.

As you are aware, the ability to provide these types of procedures greatly improves the care that Public Health Endorsed Dental Hygienists can deliver, especially in underserved communities. The AC4OH wants to ensure that we are aligned with the process that NSBDE has set forth so that the AC4OH and the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services Oral Health Program understands how best to support the PHE programs in our state.

We thank you for your support in helping ensure that all Nevadans have equitable access to dental healthcare.

Sincerely,

Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health