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Dear Dr. Liddell,

On behalf of the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD), we thank you for your communication on February 10, 2020 regarding the ADA Proposed Statement on the Use of Silver Diamine Fluoride to Arrest Carious Lesions.

The AGD submitted comments to your Council on December 9, 2019 and suggested changes to the policy. The AGD is aligned with the position that the delegation of the application of silver diamine fluoride (SDF) to auxiliary dental personnel or other trained health professionals must be by prescription or order of a dentist after a comprehensive oral examination, in accordance with the state's dental practice act.

The AGD's Councils on Dental Practice and Legislative and Governmental Affairs carefully considered the ADA's February 2020 draft revisions. The Councils determined that the amended language is in keeping with AGD policy. As such, we support the amended language of the ADA draft policy statement on SDF for caries management.

Thank you very much for your willingness to consider the AGD's suggested revisions. We believe that the dental community is strengthened by continued communication and collaboration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Connie L. White, DDS, FAGD'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Connie L. White, DDS, FAGD  
AGD President