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Dear Health Officer:

As requested, the Division of Public Health is pleased to provide you with samples of agency protocols for the placement of dental sealants and the application of fluoride varnish in public health settings.

The Governor's KidsFirst initiative includes access to preventive oral health measures such as dental sealants and fluoride varnishes. We recognize your major role in increasing access to oral disease prevention for Wisconsin residents.

The establishment of these agency protocols is a Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare requirement, which goes beyond the statutory requirements for dental hygienists in public health settings. Feel free to develop your own protocol documents if you find these samples are not suitable for your needs. We recommend that, as you adapt these protocols to your unique settings, you consider that your legal counsels review them.

We support the implementation of oral health prevention measures into public health settings. If you have further questions about dental sealant and fluoride varnish agency protocol, or require program assistance, please contact Nancy McKenney, RDH, MS, State Dental Hygiene Officer, at (608) 266-3201, [mckenr@dhfs.state.wi.us](mailto:mckenr@dhfs.state.wi.us) or Warren LeMay, DDS, Chief Dental Officer at (608) 266-5152, [lemaywr@dhfs.state.wi.us](mailto:lemaywr@dhfs.state.wi.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Herb H. Bostrom'.

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