

April 4, 2017

Dr. Gary Roberts
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Dear Dr. Roberts,

The Colegio de Cirujanos Dentistas de Puerto Rico (College of Dental Surgeons of PR), want you to know how much we appreciate your letter to Governor Ricardo Rosselló, supporting Dental Health coverage in our Public Health System (Medicaid).

We are sure that your quick response was crucial in our quest of keeping the Dental coverage for the most vulnerable population of our Island. In a recent meeting with the Secretary of Health, he informed us that he supports keeping dental coverage for patients, and referenced your letter. It seems the Governor referred it to him. Hopefully, this will help people maintain access to dental care, beyond the current financial crisis.

We continue to leverage the data of other States that incurred in higher costs to their health systems, due to increased Emergency Room visits.

All dentists in Puerto Rico will know about ADA's and your solidarity and support in this sensitive situation, in which the oral health of the patients, and the working environment of dentists living and practicing in PR were severely threaten.

Please share our appreciation to all members of the ADA staff that assisted with this strategy.

Best Regards,



Liselie Reyes Martínez, D.M.D.
President