



Testimony on behalf of Doctor Dental  
Appropriations Committee  
HB 6350 An Act Concerning the Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015 and  
Other Provisions Relating to Revenue.  
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Senator Harp, Representative Walker and members of the Appropriations Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify before you today on **HB 6350 An Act Concerning the Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2015 and Other Provisions Relating to Revenue.**

Doctor Dental provides quality dental services to the Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire areas. Proud of its affordable general dentistry and the friendly, comfortable environment, we offer a wide range of services for patients of any age, background, or need. To make dental care easier on the patient's budget, Doctor Dental offers flexible payment plans and options to patients by coordinating with the patient to put together a payment plan that works best for his/her budget and schedule.

We serve some of the most underutilized areas in Connecticut and continue to grow within the state. Currently, we have offices in Bristol, Danbury, Enfield, Hamden, New Haven, Norwalk, Rocky Hill, Stamford, Stratford, Vernon, Waterbury and West Hartford. We have made a significant investment in Connecticut and wish to expand and continue to make additional hires.

We applaud Gov. Malloy for his continued support of dental care in Connecticut. Funding for adult dental care in the Medicaid program is critical in maintaining a healthy lifestyle for the State's most vulnerable population. Lack of access to dental care causes pain and suffering that, for the most part, can easily be treated. Without this funding in place, patients would seek care only when they could no longer bear the pain and put even more financial strain on our State's emergency care centers. In fact, studies have shown that the long-term cost of eliminating adult dental care is 2.5 times more than the cost of providing care.

We respectfully request for your continued support of adult dental care in Connecticut.

Thank you.