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**COLORADO ORAL HEALTH COALITION SUPPORTS DEGETTE
AMENDMENT CALLING FOR DENTAL EXPERTISE
ON HOUSE HEALTH BENEFITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A statewide oral health coalition applauded an amendment by Congresswoman Diane DeGette (D-CO) during the mark up of a House Tri-Committee bill to include oral health expertise on the Health Benefits Advisory Committee.

“Oral Health Awareness Colorado! would like to add its support to Congresswoman DeGette’s amendment for a dental voice on the Health Benefits Advisory Committee,” said Deborah Colburn, OHAC! director of public affairs. “It’s an important dental provision under consideration in the bill.”

The bill, issued jointly by the three House committees (Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and Education and Labor), includes several oral health provisions for consideration, Colburn said. Once the bills are passed out of their committees, they will be considered on the House and Senate floors.

Oral Health Awareness Colorado! (OHAC!) is a statewide coalition whose mission is to develop and promote strategies that achieve optimal oral health for all Coloradans.

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