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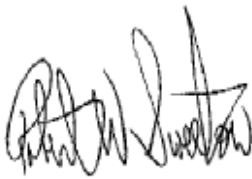
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Dear Dr. English,

On behalf of the Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology (ARA), we wish to wholeheartedly support the American Academy of Audiology's response to the AMA Scope of Practice Data Series: Audiologists (April 2009). The ARA is comprised of audiologists who clearly recognize the complex nature of hearing disorders and the effects these disorders have not only on hearing impaired individuals, but on their families as well. As strong consumer advocates who support the need for comprehensive communication rehabilitation for patients, we believe audiologists are the best trained and most capable professionals for providing these vital services.



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