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Dear Drs. Templeton, Harrison, Church, Aggarwal:

We are in receipt of your recent letter regarding the adoption of American Medical Association (AMA) Policy D-215.987, "Studying Healthcare Institutions that Provide Child Care Services." On behalf of the entire American Medical Association, we would like to thank you for your active involvement in the AMA House of Delegates and your contributions to our policy making process.

The AMA is dedicated to supporting women physicians both professionally and personally, and works on many fronts to help prevent and combat physician burnout. This policy demonstrates our commitment to seeking out information that helps enable the development of real solutions that work for physicians, their families and their patients. We are pleased to inform you that the AMA is conducting a comprehensive survey of women physicians from across the nation to collect information about various aspects of their practice, including access to workplace childcare services. We plan to build on the important findings of this new study with other available research to provide a thorough and informative report at the 2018 Annual House of Delegates meeting.

Thank you again for your support of the AMA and your involvement in our efforts to enhance professional satisfaction and improve the delivery of care. We look forward to continuing our work with the Federation of Medicine, including the American Medical Women's Association, to achieve our goals.

Sincerely,

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