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PRACTITIONER-INVESTIGATOR LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE

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Dr. Ginger Pollock
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Dear Dr. Pollock:

Congratulations on your acceptance of membership in the PEARL Network, the first Practice Based Research Network (PBRN) devoted to advancing clinical dentistry. The PEARL Network is one of three centers funded by the NIH and managed by the NIDCR. The center of operations will be the NYU Bluestone Center for Clinical Research. We envision that by attaining the goals of the PEARL Network, we will be able to influence significantly how dentistry is practiced in the United States and perhaps around the globe. You are an integral component of the success of the PEARL Network

You were chosen as a Practitioner-Investigator because we believe that you have the clinical skills and academic interest to contribute to the advancement of clinical dentistry as well as satisfying the demographic criteria set forth in the NIH grant proposal. Your commitment is greatly appreciated and in return we feel that you will:

- (1) be rewarded with a sense of accomplishment,
- (2) acquire the knowledge to conduct clinical research,
- (3) earn continuing education credits, and
- (4) be part of a unique and select dental fellowship that we believe will have high visibility and an impact on the dental profession and
- (5) be recognized by having your practice listed in the PEARL Network website.

The PEARL Network is managed by three cores; your acceptance identifies you as a member of the Recruitment, Retention and Operations Core (RROC). The primary objective of this core is to recruit the most qualified practitioners and keep investigator turnover to a minimum. A high turnover rate will limit the effectiveness of meeting our goals and objectives. As the PEARL Network moves forward, the other core directors will be interacting with you as needed.

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