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Maureen Corrigan
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Re: Endorsement of Clinical Practice Guideline: Otitis Media with Effusion

Dear Ms. Corrigan:

We are pleased to inform you that the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) has reviewed your clinical practice guideline, Otitis Media with Effusion, and has elected to endorse it. The AAFP has a stringent process to review guidelines from other organizations. Our review is based on several factors, including scope and purpose; rigor of development; and clarity (see attached). The AAFP Commission on Health of the Public and Science reviewed the guideline and made the recommendation for endorsement to the AAFP Board of Directors.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with the AAO-HNS to provide review and endorsement prior to the publication of the guideline, and are pleased to be listed on the publication. To facilitate this process, we request notification of any substantial changes to the recommendations or evidence discussion as this may require a second review by AAFP leadership.

We would appreciate being informed of any promotional activities for the guideline so that we may coordinate this information and share with our members. We plan to disseminate this information by with a summary of key recommendations and a link to the full guideline on the AAFP website and may publicize the guideline in the *AAFP News* electronic newsletter or *American Family Physician* journal. Providing our members with high-level, evidence-based clinical practice guidelines is an important element in our strategic plan.

We appreciate the work you did to make the Otitis Media with Effusion guideline scientifically rigorous, and we hope to review more guidelines from your organization in the future. We would also appreciate being notified in the event of future updates to this guideline.

Sincerely,

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