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Dear Mr. Buksa:

This is in response to your letter to me dated June 17, 2009 stating that the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD) has now eliminated the ability of all dental licensees' from editing their own transcripts.

Based upon our review of the AGD's updated secure transcript; it is my pleasure to inform you of our decision to accept an AGD transcript as proof of our mandatory continuing education (CE) requirement. Starting July 1, 2009, dentists may use an AGD transcript as proof of CE. Please keep in mind that any documented continuing education courses on the transcript dated prior to July 1, 2009 will not be accepted as proof of CE.

As discussed, NYS regulations currently require 60 hours of continuing education every three years, with no more than 18 of such hours consisting of "self-study". We understand that your transcript will provide sufficient detail for us to distinguish self-study courses. We may at any time require a copy of a licensee's transcript and or completion certificate upon request from AGD, either by fax or e-mail.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Mokhiber  
Executive Secretary (Acting)

cc: New York State Dental Board Members