



Association for the Treatment of
Tobacco Use and Dependence

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Dear Dr. Husten:

The Association for the Treatment of Tobacco Use and Dependence (ATTUD) enthusiastically endorses the goals of the Partnership for Prevention's Call for ACTION (Access to Cessation Treatment of Tobacco in Our Nation). We believe that your efforts can considerably help to address the ongoing tragedy of the tobacco epidemic that each year causes the death of hundreds of thousands of Americans. Most smokers want to quit, and the medication and counseling treatments that you describe in the Call for ACTION are proven effective. However, evidence-based treatment for tobacco dependence continues to be misunderstood, unsupported, and underutilized.

ATTUD is an organization of providers dedicated to the provision and dissemination of evidence based treatments for tobacco dependence. Speaking for our membership, we look forward to working with you in support of your goal of 100% access to comprehensive tobacco dependence treatment for all Americans by 2020.

Sincerely,

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