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Subject: Consultation on the 2017/18 draft budgets, APC fees

Dear Dental Council of New Zealand

RE: Consultation on the 2016/17 Draft budget, annual practicing certificate fee, disciplinary levy for dentists and dental specialists

I am unable to support the proposed increase in fees based on the information given in the consultation document. When considering increases that have already occurred in the past two years these seem unjustifiable and certainly disproportionate to other health care professionals. There would seem at first glance to be unnecessary expenditure, and double handling of policies and standards already suggested by the NZDA.

I would not want to see a similar situation to what has recently occurred in the UK where increases in fees by the GDC were less than transparent and have led to major problems within the profession.

Thank you for the chance to make this submission.

Kind Regards,

Jeremy Bywater