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To: Consultations
Subject: Consultation regarding APC fees

To whom it may concern,

I am writing regarding the consultation document for the proposed APC fees for 2017/2018.

Over the last 2 years the APC fee has gone up by 20%. Whilst I understand the Dental Council is currently undergoing improvements such as IT development for registration, I am concerned that if the APC continues to increase at this rate every year then the cost to practice dentistry will become too great.

It would be good for practitioners to know where the projected increases in APC fees will stop. The APC for dentists is much greater than other similar professions which is concerning. With the one off cost if IT upgrade the main driver, I will expect the APC fees to decrease after 17/18.

As a relatively recent graduate I have concerns that long-term I will struggle to meet the costs to practice dentistry when APC fees are increasing at such a rapid rate. As a contracting associate, I am required to meet this financial cost independently.

Kind regards

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