

I would like to comment on the proposed increase in registration fees for dental professionals.

The registration fee for dental therapists is much greater than for Oral Health Therapists and the discrepancy seems to be based around the decreasing numbers of Dental Therapists.

The same is being suggested for the disciplinary levy.

There is a net difference of \$128. Given the work done by both these professionals is the same in most cases this seems a cumbersome and inequitable difference.

At some point the amount needing to be paid by Dental Therapists will become untenable per practitioner as the number of therapist reduces. This being the reason given for the increases being disproportional.

This issue cannot be left to get to the point of ridiculousness and it seems to me that a simple solution needs to be found. Sooner rather than later, would seem to me, to be a good idea.

I am sure there is a solution to this but the idea of the last 30 therapists paying thousands of dollars each is not one I wish to see.

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