Consultation on the age limit for restorative activities in the oral health therapy scope of practice

Page 2: Your demographics

Q1 Your details	
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Company/organisation	
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Q2 Your submission is in the capacity as	dentist or dental specialist

Page 3: The proposal

Q3 Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to remove the 18-year age limit for restorative activities from the OHT scope of practice including: accredited, gazetted programmes allowing oral health therapists to perform restorative treatment on patients 18 years and older an exclusion, such as "Restorative treatment on patients 18 years and older", being placed on oral health therapists' scopes of practice until they complete an accredited adult restorative programme which will allow them to apply to have the exclusion removed (noting that the activities registered oral health therapists can currently perform within their scope of practice remain unchanged).

Strongly disagree

Page 4: Your support

Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: Your concerns

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Q5 Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

- not enough training for BOH dealing with adult population, doing large complex deep restorations, no knowledge of how to diagnose pulpitis, assessing restorability of a tooth, concepts of complex occlusion

- in my experience referrals have been made from therapists to a dentist for treatment due to the incapability of the oral therapist to complete larger restorations, diagnosing caries correctly and reading radiographs

- a greater divide in care between the rich and poor - higher SES members have access to higher quality treatment and a higher degree of training, low SES only having access to lower quality treatment - less training

Page 6: Details about OHT scope, qualifications and competencies

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Q6 Do you have any specific feedback on the proposed amendments to the OHT scope of practice, prescribed qualifications or competencies as set out in appendices 1 & 2?	Νο
Page 7: Specific comments on the proposal Q7 Please provide us specific comments related to the OHT scope, qualifications and competencies.	Respondent skipped this question
Page 8: Anything else Q8 Do you have any further comments on the proposal?	Νο
Page 10: Last thoughts	
Q9 Please provide us your feedback	Respondent skipped this question