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Page 2: Your demographics

**Q1** Your details

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**Q2** Your submission is in the capacity as **dentist or dental specialist**

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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**

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Page 4: Your support

**Q4** Please describe why you support the proposal **Respondent skipped this question**

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Page 5: Your concerns

**Q5** Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

Oral Health Therapists are not trained enough for restorative care of patients who are over the age 18. Restorative treatment sometime can turn into extraction or endodontic treatment.

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Page 6: Details about OHT scope, qualifications and competencies

**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? **Yes**

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Page 7: Specific comments on the proposal

**Q7** Please provide us specific comments related to the OHT scope, qualifications and competencies.

I feel the scope and qualification now s pretty good. OHT is part of a dental team. As the name implies they provide therapy to improve patients' oral health. So they should focus more on prevention and maintenance. Main focus should be on the patient under the age 18. To prevent them from getting more dental intervention/treatment in the future.

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Page 8: Anything else

**Q8** Do you have any further comments on the proposal? **Yes**

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Page 10: Last thoughts

**Q9** Please provide us your feedback

The scope of practice for OHT is pretty good now. They provide periodontal treatments for patients as well as treatment for patient under the age of 18. I DO NOT think it is a good idea for OHT to start on restorative treatment for age over 18 as there are more complications and they are not trained enough for the complication. If it is to reduce the cost of dental treatment then I feel it is better to introduce a sugar tax and subsidise the treatment with tax money.

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