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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**

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

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

Q5 Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

1. The emotive drive by the government to decrease the cost of dentistry by increasing competition. This does not address more fundamental reasons for the cost of dentistry (GST, compliance and material costs etc) and unfairly leads the public to believe the cost of dentistry is solely from the greed of dentists.
 2. I do not believe the OHT training, nor extra training will be suitable for adult scope treatment. In particular the provision for emergency treatment. I am concerned for patients seeking treatment at a reduced cost who may require more complicated treatment such as root canal treatment or extraction. OHTs are unable to provide this treatment which may result in pain and further expense for the patients which many will be unable to afford.
 3. This does not address the unmet need of the child population and may exacerbate the situation.
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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? **No**

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? **No**

Page 10: Last thoughts

Q9 Please provide us your feedback **Respondent skipped this question**
