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Page 2: Your demographics

**Q1** Your details

Name **Kelly**  
City/town [Redacted]

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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

My very specific concern is with regards to cost - the access to lower income individuals. Even though this will increase dental care access to the public due to more available practitioners, it does not perform the necessity of access to the lower income population. If dental therapist were to provide these treatment at a much reduced rate, this will be a different matter. However, if they are performing these treatment at the usual private rate (as a dentist) and their credential as a dental therapist (not a dentist) is not informed to the patient, then this does not benefit our society. And in effect is also doing a disservice to the population given the wrong perception of their credentials.

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**

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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. **Respondent skipped this question**

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Page 8: Anything else

**Q8** Do you have any further comments on the proposal? **No**

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Page 10: Last thoughts

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

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