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Page 2: Your demographics

**Q1** Your details

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**Q2** Your submission is in the capacity as **dental or clinical dental technician**

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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).

**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

Restorative treatment can be exceedingly complex with a wide range of treatment options and materials available. It is well likely these people will see some of the more deteriorated and complex cases if the plan is to bring more disadvantaged individuals into care. Newly trained fully qualified dentists will frequently struggle with the reality of everyday practice and they start from a much greater level of training and should also be receiving mentoring from experienced colleagues. I have also found cost is frequently stated as a barrier when in fact a number of other issues are stopping people seeking care. Again these issues along with someone with already limited skills could well lead to problems.

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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**

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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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