

Page 2: Your demographics

Q1 Your details

Email

Name Mark Purkiss

Company/organisation

City/town

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

Q5 Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

therapists should concentrate on the huge health needs of the under 18's in New Zealand

Page 6: Details about OHT scope, qualifications and competencies

Q6 Do you have any specific feedback on the proposed No amendments to the OHT scope of practice, prescribed qualifications or competencies as set out in appendices 1 & 2?

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?

Yes

Page 10: Last thoughts

Q9 Please provide us your feedback

is this an attempt to provide cheaper dentistry? i doubt this will eventuate when compliance costs are taken into account. Also most therapists place amalgam/GI, when amalgam is phased out of use, most restorations of "adults" will require composite one would assume. This can be extremely challenging for many skilled dentists in many situations, and requires much experience and extra training on top of that which most practitioners have initially when trained