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Page 2: Your demographics

Q1 Your details

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Q2 Your submission is in the capacity as **oral health therapist**

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 agree**

Page 4: Your support

Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal

Having worked in parts of the country where the population of low socioeconomic status is high I believe that this is sorely needed to allow more New Zealanders access to dental care. Something which a large majority for-go due to costs and accessibility. This service has the ability to allow those who are unable to access dental care currently to gain much needed treatment. Due to an Oral Health Therapists experience in hygiene treatment, along with dental therapy, puts us in a unique position to not only be able to provide treatment where necessary for dental care but also share our preventative knowledge and home-care guidance to New Zealanders. Something which is hugely absent in many homes throughout the country. By bringing in adult scope of practice under the Oral Health Therapy umbrella would be taking huge progressive steps for the New Zealand dental health system, something that would be a great benefit to the population of our country.

Page 5: Your concerns

Q5 Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

Respondent skipped this question

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
