



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). **Agree**

Page 4: Your support

Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal

The proposal to remove the 18-year age limit for restorative activities from the OHT scope of practice is a positive step forward for the dental profession. I support this proposal as it would eliminate the potential risk of deskilling among OHTs that already have the qualification and experience of providing restorative treatments to patient of all ages. Removing the age limit would be a step towards addressing the oral health inequalities that currently exist in the general population.

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? **Yes**

Page 7: Specific comments on the proposal

Q7 Please provide us specific comments related to the OHT scope, qualifications and competencies.

Will an overseas trained Oral Health Therapist, i.e. from the United Kingdom, with formal education and experience of providing restorative treatments to patient of all ages be required to enrol on the Dental Council New Zealand accredited Adult restorative programme?

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**
