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Page 2: Your demographics

Q1 Your details

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Company/organisation	[REDACTED]
City/town	[REDACTED]
Email	[REDACTED]

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

I support the proposal because I am hopeful that it will allow us to reach good oral health for all New Zealanders, for life, much sooner. Through the recognition of barriers, particularly those of financial nature, currently restricting individuals over the age of 18 from accessing dental care, I have reached a positive outlook on the change of age limit for restorative activities in the OHT scope of practice. I believe this change will create new, more accessible treatment options for those in need.

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?

Yes

Page 10: Last thoughts

Q9 Please provide us your feedback

The quality of current services must be preserved, if not improved, and careful consideration for the safety of not only the public but the current workforce must also be given.
