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Page 2: Your demographics

**Q1** Your details

Name	Vicky Zhu
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Email	[Redacted]

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**Q2** Your submission is in the capacity as **educational institution**

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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).

**Strongly agree**

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Page 4: Your support

**Q4** Please describe why you support the proposal

It would be nice to widen my scope of practice. I feel like job satisfaction would be greater if we, as oral health therapists, could actually treat our adult patients restorative needs. Higher job satisfaction would also lead to higher rates of job retention and less migration of Kiwis and therefore better economy. It would also mean that we could provide lower-costing care to lower socio-economic households because patients won't have to go to two different professionals for their oral health. Patients also save time because they won't have to be waitlisted after being referred to a dentist to do work we are capable of. Another benefit it would reap for patients is that because we have already built a relationship/rapport with them, it would be easier/more likely for them to continue seeing us beyond the age of 18 rather than being handed off to a stranger and potentially losing contact.

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Page 5: Your concerns

**Q5** Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

Respondent skipped this question

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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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