

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

specify): Student

Page 4: Your support

## Consultation on the age limit for restorative activities in the oral health therapy scope of practice

## Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal

The goal ultimately is to prevent disease from an early stage and improve oral health for as many people as possible.

Oral Health Therapist's are already trained and able to work on permanent dentition up to the age of 18. The proposal does not "change" the OHT scope of practice but simply removes the age barrier.

The reasoning against this proposal is often due to the lack of awareness surrounding the scope. OHT's are already able to "prepare cavities and restore primary and permanent teeth using direct placement of dental materials"

A collaborative effort between the OHT's and dentists and dental professionals will still be maintained.

OHT's will be able to help reduce the workload by treating patients with simple restorative work and referring the complicated cases.

OHT's will work WITHIN their scope of practice but on a wider population. A small change can have a large positive influence on the population especially for those with access or financial difficulties.

## 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