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



Page 3: The proposal

Q2 Your submission is in the capacity as

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

oral health therapist

Page 4: Your support

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Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal

We as Oral Health Therapists are trained from day one to help prevent the degradation of the oral environment. I have read a couple of reviews "strongly disagree" reviews and it saddens me as the review seems to be coming from how it may affect them personally rather than thinking about the general public. We are trained to do all sorts of restoration on primary as well as permanent teeth(under 18), so I do not understand why should we not be allowed to perform restorations on over 18 year old patients. This will not only help to take off burden from the dentists as they won't have to spend their precious time doing restorations, and can invest this time into doing other important surgical treatments such as root canal etc. We are not here to steal jobs off dentists but are here for better public health! People stop going to dentists as it is extremely costly at times due to their financial situation, so if we are allowed to perform restorations on over 18 years then I will help the general public at a high scale.

Page	5:	Your	concerns
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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