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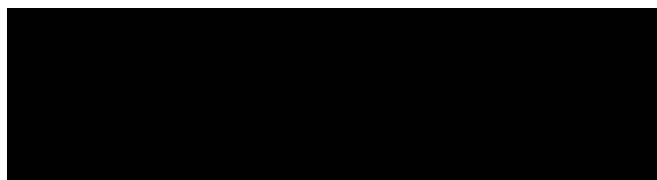
First name

Callum

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Last name

Durward



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New Zealand

Are you primarily based in New Zealand or overseas?

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Company/organisation name

Bright Smiles Dental Clinic

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Registered oral health practitioner

In what capacity are you making this submission?

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Q7

Dental specialist

What is your profession?

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Please enter your Dental Council Person ID, if applicable

D1983

Page 4: Proposed registration pathways

Q9

Yes

Do you believe the proposed changes will help reduce barriers to registration for suitably trained overseas practitioners?

Q10

Please tell us why:

More options are available for overseas dentists to register. The new changes seem fairer than the present situation. There seem to be good safeguards in place.

Page 5: Introduction of the proposed 'Competent authority - registration' pathway

Q11

Support

Do you support the introduction of the 'Competent authority - registration' pathway? [Click to learn more](#) about the proposed pathway

Q12

Please tell us why:

I agree that if the dental practitioner is registered with one of the competent authorities listed, they should be able to practice in NZ - as their training and skills etc should be similar

Page 6: Introduction of the proposed 'Comparable health system' pathway

Q13

Support

Do you support the introduction of the 'Comparable health system' pathway for dentists? [Click to learn more](#) about the proposed pathway

Q14

Please tell us why:

The countries listed have comparable health systems and regulatory environments to New Zealand. And there will be an in-country training module and supervision to ensure competence and safety.

Page 7: Introduction of the proposed 'Teaching and research' pathway

Q15

Support

Do you support the introduction of the 'Teaching and research' pathway? Click to learn more about the proposed pathway

Q16

Please tell us why:

This will enable vacant positions at the universities to be filled with well qualified people. There is ongoing supervision and they will do the training module. However, not sure if they will ever be able to practice outside the university - is there going to be a pathway for that?

Page 9: Proposed removal of requirement for a medical degree for oral medicine specialist registration

Q17

Support

Do you support removing the requirement for a medical degree for oral medicine specialist registration in New Zealand, subject to the relevant medical training and clinical experiences being embedded into the specialist training programme? Click to learn more about the proposed changes.

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Please tell us why:

Overseas a lot of oral medicine specialists do not have a medical degree. As long as they have had the relevant medical training etc within their PG course, I do not think a medical degree is necessary. Very few dentists will take up oral medicine training if they also need to do medicine. We are very short of specialists in this field.

Page 10: Proposed removal of requirement to register in dental technology before registering in CDT

Q19

Support

Do you support removing the requirement to register in dental technology before registering in clinical dental technology? Click to learn more about the proposed changes.

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Please tell us why:

If their training has included both, then I think they should be able to register directly in clinical dental technology.

Page 11: Proposed changes to the New Zealand registration examination requirements

Q21

Support

Do you support the proposed changes to the New Zealand registration examination requirements? Click to learn more about the proposed changes.

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Please tell us why:

Overseas trained dentists should be able to sit exams to register as oral health therapists, DTs or hygienists

Page 12: Proposed administrative changes to the prescribed qualifications

Q23

All scopes

Do you have feedback on the proposed administrative changes to prescribed qualifications for any of the scopes of practice, as reflected in the draft Gazette notices?

Q24

Please tell us your feedback. When discussing multiple scopes, please indicate clearly which scope of practice you are referring to in your comment.

the proposed administrative changes make good practical sense for all the scopes.

Page 13: Proposed fees for the new registration pathways

Q25

Yes

Do you find the proposed fees for the new registration pathways reasonable? Proposed fee notice

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Please tell us why or why not?

the fees seem reasonable

Page 14: Thank you for your time

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Is there any additional feedback you would like to share on the consultation?

no
