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Q1

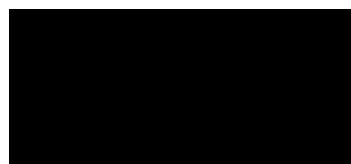
First name

Eduard

Q2

Last name

Durrheim



Q4

New Zealand

Are you primarily based in New Zealand or overseas?

Q5

Company/organisation name

Durrheim and Associates

Q6 **Registered oral health practitioner**

In what capacity are you making this submission?

Page 3: About your submission

Q7

Dentist

What is your profession?

Q8

Respondent skipped this question

Please enter your Dental Council Person ID, if applicable

Page 4: Proposed registration pathways

Q9

No

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

Q10

Please tell us why:

Our current system is not broken.

The shortage of dentists in New Zealand is not due to an inefficient pathway for overseas-trained practitioners.

The real issue is that we are not training enough New Zealand dentists. Entry into dental school has become impossibly difficult and the training positions very very few.

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

Q11

Partially 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:

Only if this results in clinicians who are equally competent to current New Zealand standards

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

Q13

Partially 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:

Only if this results in clinicians who are equally competent to current New Zealand standards

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

Respondent skipped this question

Please tell us why:

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

Q17

Partially 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.

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

Please tell us why:

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.

Q20

Respondent skipped this question

Please tell us why:

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.

Q22

Respondent skipped this question

Please tell us why:

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.

“A practical psychomotor clinical skills assessment is crucial in the examination process. Practitioners must demonstrate not only theoretical knowledge, but also practical clinical competence and appropriate people skills in order to qualify for registration in New Zealand.”

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

Q26

Respondent skipped this question

Please tell us why or why not?

Page 14: Thank you for your time

Q27

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

I have personally witnessed two separate competency reviews conducted by the Dental Council in private practice. My hope is that the practitioners admitted through this new system will be held to the same standard that the Dental Council expects of its registered clinicians, particularly the standard demonstrated by those I know who have successfully undergone the competency review process.
