



Page 2: About your submission

Q1

First name

Huda

Q2

Last name

Dhabi



Q4

Are you primarily based in New Zealand or overseas?

Overseas,
If overseas, where?:
United Arab Emirates

Q5

Company/organisation name

Oriana hospital Sharjah

Q6

In what capacity are you making this submission?

Registered oral health practitioner

Page 3: About your submission

Q7

What is your profession?

Dentist

Q8 Respondent skipped this question

Please enter your Dental Council Person ID, if applicable

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:

New Zealand is proposing new pathways for registration for general dentists which would immensely help me register as a licensed dentist there without going through the long, highly costly examinations of the ndeb to register as a dentist there. I am a licensed dentist already in the UAE which takes its healthcare seriously. Dentists like myself are experienced, eager to immigrate and provide our services overseas to communities that need it most. However the processes of registering in overseas countries like Canada, UK, Australia are extremely bureaucratic and all examinations must be done in the respected countries. The cost of the travel, courses, examinations takes a toll. The UK is already having a dental crisis with dental deserts while having 6000 dentists waiting to give the exams. In my opinion the best option would be to have a 6 month module where overseas dentists can learn and understand the respected countries healthcare system. And then get registered to practice after having all credentials checked thoroughly. But the proposed pathways will most definitely be better for us overseas dentists who are willing to immigrate and settle in New Zealand.

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:

Yes but more countries need to be recognised. Not just western countries. The University which I graduated from in the UAE had the Australian dental Council recognize it as a top tier university and yet we are not mutually recognised overseas which causes overseas dentists to search for other countries where recognition and registration is much simpler and much faster.

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 minimum hours requirement is what the UK currently has which is of no issue. However more countries need to be recognised. Like the UAE

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

Q15

Partially 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:

Will not contribute towards full registration to practice. So it seems temporary

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

Q17

Oppose

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

Please tell us why:

Ofc a degree should be required

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

Q19

Oppose

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

Please tell us why:

Dental technology is different in every country. Instead of requirement of degree there should be modules teaching new Zealand dental technology advancements

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

Please tell us why:

These clinical based exams especially in Canada leave no room for Human error at all. Canada's clinical based exams are notoriously despised due to lack of transparency, very high cost per attempt, highest failure rates. For the past 3 years there have also been protests outside the NDEB examinations offices having dentists raise their voices about the sheer lack of transparency with these exams. They are trained, licensed in their respective countries but some have spent 5 years still trying to get through the equivalency processes just to get registered. The examinations should be theory based and also it would help if these examinations are also provided by prometric online by testing centers like in Dubai

Page 12: Proposed administrative changes to the prescribed qualifications

Q23

General dental practice

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.

In short, make it easier, faster and less costly for overseas dentists to register. And recognise more countries

Page 13: Proposed fees for the new registration pathways

Q25

No

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

Q26

Please tell us why or why not?

Very high costs for assessment compared to other countries

Page 14: Thank you for your time

Q27

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

No
