



Page 2: About your submission

Q1

First name

Ray

Q2

Last name

Te Moananui



Q4

Are you primarily based in New Zealand or overseas?

Overseas,
If overseas, where?:
Australia

Q5

Company/organisation name

Supersmiles

Q6

In what capacity are you making this submission?

Registered oral health practitioner

Page 3: About your submission

Q7

What is your profession?

Dental specialist

Q8 Respondent skipped this question

Please enter your Dental Council Person ID, if applicable

Page 4: Proposed registration pathways

Q9 Somewhat

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

Q10

Please tell us why:

It creates a large gap in practitioners that have been trained in New Zealand and Australia through rigorous teaching and examination. The public must be protected against practitioners who have not been held to the same standard .

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

Q11 Oppose

Do you support the introduction of the 'Competent authority - registration' pathway?Click to learn more about the proposed pathway

Q12

Please tell us why:

As I've said previous. The training and examination pathways are not the same. The public do not know there is a gap and should not be subjected to practitioners that are not at the equivalent standard, especially in dentistry and specialist dentistry.

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

Q13 Oppose

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:

As stated previously .

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

Q15

Oppose

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

Q16

Please tell us why:

I do not think practitioners should be teaching graduates in University settings and they themselves cannot work or treat patients outside the walls of the University. Again it's about public safety and ensuring students receive the best training possible.

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:

Dental training is critical for oral medicine specialist to believe a high standard of care to the general population

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:

Training and clinical hours count
Students must be a high standard to be considered for clinical work

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

Q21

Oppose

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:

High standard of applicants is critical

Dental students take 5 years to gain a dental degree for a reason . It's takes years to perfect clinical skill, clinical knowledge and patient communication . These skills must be upheld

Page 12: Proposed administrative changes to the prescribed qualifications

Q23

Orthodontics

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.

As a specialist Orthodontist I encounter patients all

the time who have had Orthodontic treatment from overseas countries. I've had multiple patients that have had attempted treatment from the countries you have listed. They do not have the clinical and theoretical knowledge that we have. It would be a grave mistake to assume that and to allow them to practice in private on fee paying patients in New Zealand.

Page 13: Proposed fees for the new registration pathways

Q25

No opinion/NA

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?

Why are we trying to change a pathways that actually screens out these practitioners

There is a reason not many pass and are not allowed to practice dentistry in New Zealand. It is both unsafe for the public and completely unjustified in our esteemed profession .
