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Consultations

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re Consultation Oral Health Therapists

Dear Dental Council

I support the New Zealand Dental Association's submissions to this consultation. I feel that ultimately a change in the oral health practitioners scope of practice will be of little benefit to the general public. As it stands dentists have the required standard of training to provide safe and effective treatment to the adult patient group. In my opinion the proposed changes will provide patients with a diminished standard of diagnosis and management, a fragmented pattern of care and deterioration in the standards of informed consent. I also have great concern that the suggested lack of a signed agreement between practitioners will be a source of medico-legal complications in the future.

Kind Regards

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