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**From:** Marie Warner  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 20 April 2016 10:06 p.m.  
**To:** s j  
**Cc:** Consultations  
**Subject:** Re: Feedback on new proposed oral health scope of practice

Dear Sundas

Firstly thanks for participating in the webinar.

Thanks for consultation submission. This will be considered by Council and you will be advised the outcome in due course.

Regards Marie

Marie Warner  
Chief Executive  
Dental Council

On 20/04/2016, at 9:09 PM, s j

Dear Marie,

Thank you for the webinar. I would like to place my feedback.  
Firstly I believe that a questionnaire regarding the changes to our scope should have been included in the APC registration so all therapists/hygienists/orthodontic auxiliaries could have participated. This would have made a compulsory inclusion regarding changes.

Half of the people I know did not take part in the webinar or even in the new scope feedback because they weren't aware, they do not read emails often or forget.

The fact that half of the feedback was from dentists regarding our scope says a lot.

I do believe that we are capable to do filling work for all ages. If the University of Otago wasn't confident that is because they do not come across high rates of decay in Dunedin and I am a graduate from there. Whereas in Auckland (where I work now), the decay rate is high thus I have a lot of experience and I am confident.

Anyhow I believe that either AUT or Otago should provide a bridging course for 6 months so that therapists can gain experience. The University of Melbourne is already doing this.

Also regarding local anaesthesia, I believe dual qualified graduates are confident carrying LA administration without the presence of dentists. It doesn't make sense that we can do LA for under 18 years of age without supervision but all of a sudden need to be supervised for over 18 year olds. So what I understood from webinar is that that, now we can administer LA without a dentist on site as long as the patient doesn't have any medical complication. Is that right?

Overall yes it is good that we have all come under one name. But I don't think there have been any significant changes from what we were previously.

I mainly disagree with the limitation of doing filling work for under 18s. This should be reviewed.

If we were to get an opinion from all therapists then I believe the outcome would have been much different. The fact that there wasn't much awareness did not help. If the practitioners were called personally and asked to attend a meeting or a webinar I believe there would have a much fairer feedback.

Half of the feedback was from dentists, that says a lot. We need feedback from more dental therapists.

Thank you,

Regards,  
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