



Page 2: Your demographics

Q1 Your details

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| Name | Regan Leslie |
| Company/organisation | [Redacted] |
| City/town | [Redacted] |
| Email | [Redacted] |

Q2 Your submission is in the capacity as **dentist or dental specialist**

Page 3: The proposal

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| Q3 Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to remove the 18-year age limit for restorative activities from the OHT scope of practice including: accredited, gazetted programmes allowing oral health therapists to perform restorative treatment on patients 18 years and older an exclusion, such as "Restorative treatment on patients 18 years and older", being placed on oral health therapists' scopes of practice until they complete an accredited adult restorative programme which will allow them to apply to have the exclusion removed (noting that the activities registered oral health therapists can currently perform within their scope of practice remain unchanged). | Strongly disagree |
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Page 4: Your support

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| Q4 Please describe why you support the proposal | Respondent skipped this question |
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Page 5: Your concerns

Consultation on the age limit for restorative activities in the oral health therapy scope of practice

Q5 Please describe your specific concern/s with the proposal

Not enough training. Treatment standards will provide poorer outcomes. They do not know enough to provide proper informed decisions and enable true informed consent.

When all you have is a hammer, all you see are nails and everything will only be diagnosed as needing what they can provide. It will lead to poorer health outcomes and uninformed consent.

If they did know enough they would be called Dentists. Otherwise what are Dentists for? Dentists are those who know enough and have suitable training to diagnose, give informed consent and carry out permanent treatment on a wide variety of problems and occlusal issues.

Page 6: Details about OHT scope, qualifications and competencies

Q6 Do you have any specific feedback on the proposed amendments to the OHT scope of practice, prescribed qualifications or competencies as set out in appendices 1 & 2? **Yes**

Page 7: Specific comments on the proposal

Q7 Please provide us specific comments related to the OHT scope, qualifications and competencies.

Should not be allowed, not enough training. Must require same training as a dentist to be eligible. Eg, must be a dentist.

Page 8: Anything else

Q8 Do you have any further comments on the proposal? **Yes**

Page 10: Last thoughts

Q9 Please provide us your feedback

Essentially deregulating this field will raise more problems than it solves. Standards of care will become a mess and patients will suffer.
