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**Q1**

Your details

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**Q2** oral health therapist

Your submission is in the capacity as

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**Q3** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q4**

Please add your Dental Council Person ID registration number



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Page 5: Please provide your feedback by responding to the following question

**Q5**

**No**

Do you support the proposed Supplementary risk management principles for oral health during the COVID-19 pandemic? If you do not support the draft, please share your concerns, reasons for your view, and proposed alternatives if you have any.

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**Q6**

Please share any comments you have below:

I do not support this guideline because I think it is going to have a massive impact on public oral health services. Negatively. Children who cannot have vaccination would now be considered moderate risk, hence our 15 min appointments will need to extend to another 25 min stand down time. This is really going to affect the number of children we would be able to treat, especially the vulnerable family in rural regions, which we see on mobile clinics with limited timeline rotations. We won't be able to treat as many children in this limited time frame. With less time on the mobile clinic, the rural families may need to travel 45+mins for a 15 mins appt. These families are usually the ones that need us the most. Also for the adults in private clinics, this is going to affect the vulnerable adult patients too, making it even more unaffordable for them to have dental treatments. Also the private practice that I work at is now 4-5 months fully booked ahead, and I know for a fact that the other practices in this region is under similar situation. This will really put a strain on both the practices and patients. As an oral health therapist practicing in both public and private clinics, I see little benefits in this guideline. I have to agree with our NMDHB clinical director, that we are extremely concerned about the unintended consequences this practice standard will have both for children and adults. Thank you for considering my submission.

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