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Subject: Independent practice

To Dr John Lockwood

Dear Sir,

I was disturbed to hear of a possible change to allow independent practice by therapists and hygienists. I worked in South Africa for many years, and this was introduced there. It was a disaster - Therapists started up practices and often exceeded their scope of practice - many called themselves "Dental Practitioners". They charged the same as Dentists, and the General Public suffered. I can see no benefit in introducing this measure; it will not help the public, and will not help availability of service.

Yours sincerely,

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