

Feedback for Draft Scope of Practice

- support for the change from 'supervision' to 'structured professional relationship', though 'not practicing as independent practitioners' makes no sense as there are already DTs/OHTs working in rural/remote areas without a dentist.
- welcome the clarification of formal education requirements. However, the list of duties that can be performed by a DT or OHT on 18-25 year olds we are already trained to do. OHTs in particular have knowledge on the use of local anaesthetic in patients aged over 18 and knowledge of medically compromised patients. As there is no board approved course I don't think its unreasonable for OHTs that have those qualifications, be allowed to be supervised by a tutor dentist in our own district and complete a log book to fulfil the boards training requirements for treating patients up to 25 years of age.

Thank you,
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