

Executive Officer,
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Dear Sir,

I have been reviewing the proposed changes to the practice of Dentistry with some alarm! As a General Practitioner of 40 years experience, both here and Overseas, I feel that these proposals will ultimately be detrimental to patients health! As a patient, I want the best possible treatment, by the most qualified practitioner, preferably with extensive clinical experience! Would you be 'comfortable' to have treatment performed on yourself or your family by someone who had received less than adequate training?

If we carry on down this path of 'deprofessionalising' this aspect of Health Care, with 'expanded' duties for Ancillary Staff, we are at risk of causing long term harm to the very people we have been attempting to help!

I'm sure there are many aspects to consider, and many other differing views to my own; however, I feel that if there is no input on my behalf, then I have been remiss in part of my duty to the Profession!

Yours faithfully,

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