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Dear Sir

It is very distressing to note that a move to allow hygienists to practice independently is being considered

I have 34 yrs experience as a Dentist and Ibm still learning even today with the various diagnostic issues to provide optimal care for patients

With the limited training Hygienists have. Their capacity to think outside the box for various complex Dental issues such as sleep apnoea, bruxism, oral cancer, various forms of malocclusion in children and adults, when to send a patient to refer for certain pathology in oral and dental conditions. Sometimes putting extra expense to patients when they refer to specialists when the dental procedure can be treated by the experienced in house Dentist. The list goes on

In view of all this I beg you to re consider the decision

Warm regards  
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