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To: dentalboardconsultation <dentalboardconsultation@ahpra.gov.au>

Subject: Scope of Practice Consultation

To members of the dental board,

My name is April Davis and I am a dental assistant with over 20 years experience in both public sector and private practice. I have worked with many dentists, oral health therapists and oral hygienists.

I strongly believe this move is not in the best interests of patients. I have worked with many knowledgeable OHTs and hygienists and in their own area their knowledge is adequate to provide a high standard of care however I have also witnessed operators that miss symptoms, or disregard patient concerns due to their narrow scope of education not placing these symptoms on their radar as possible problems. They don't know how much they don't know.

Please consider the whole patient and keep dental teams together.

Regards, April Davis.

Sent from my iPhone