

Subject: Dental Service Bill

Hi

My dentist is one of those targeted for claim for administrative non-compliance.

She is an excellent, caring dentist . She is fair, efficient and impeccable in her work.

As part of her professionalism ,she works for the disadvantaged.

She deserves the high praise that goes with the old fashioned use of the word “professional” when it meant service to the community and a body of knowledge, skill and ethics; before it meant “for money”.

Non-compliance with an administrative system by such a person, is an indictment on the system not the person.

Non-compliance with an administrative system by what apparently is as many as 70 % of users is an indictment on the system not the users.

Administrators are entitled and obliged to seek compliance but the response to non-compliance needs to be just .

Our community needs to raise dental health and our investment in dental care. Our teeth are no less part of our body than any other . Dental health is not a luxury item.

I urge the government to review the Chronic Disease Dental Scheme, generally and the unjust response administrative non-compliance .

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