

Subject: Dental Medicare audits

To whom it may concern,

I am a family member of a dentist who is being audited by Medicare. I am writing to express my deep concern about the unfairness of these audits and the fines attached to them. My family member is an excellent dentist and works extremely hard to provide her patients with exceptional dental care. She is extremely caring and honest with her patients and often goes in on her time off to see emergency patients- for no other reason than she cares.

I understand that Medicare needs to perform audits. I don't understand why it would consider it appropriate to fine hard working, honest dentists who have provided exceptional treatment but have overlooked minor aspects of paperwork. These dentist have taken on patients who would never have access to such dental care and made a significant difference to their health. I am very uncomfortable that current legislation makes the dentist liable for such minor administrative oversights.

I truly hope that the legislation will be rectified and that the audited dentists are released from their fines. Please let the dentists return to servicing the community rather than worrying about simple paperwork errors.

Kind regards,

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