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Dear Ms Ransom,

I submit a brief submission on two grounds to the ACCC explaining my objection for HCF acquiring dental practices.

In the history of Medicine and Dentistry we have turned the full circle when these health professions were regulated at the beginning of the twentieth century to protect the patients from third parties who profited from these professions unscrupulously causing harm to the patients. For example, the inclusion of dental prosthesis to produce dentures at lower cost has shown the complete opposite with the cost of dentures compared to the dentists a greatly more expensive. Over the century Hippocratic oath and code of ethics have largely developed a culture where the patients' health is of great priority. The health funds have demonstrated their direct involvement in preventative health by removing rebate items on some of the preventive procedures. It may be demonstrated that HCF may be taken over by another identity and original concepts of developing dental practice and their motivation could be completely changed. Example of this is when Dental Corp had multiple sales and eventually ended up under BUPA's control.

Could you please consider these statements which are proven to the best interest of patients.

Kind regards,

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