Submission on ACC regulated payments for treatment

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Business or organisation name (if applicable)

Position title (if applicable)

Nurse practitioner

Is this an individual submission or on behalf of a business or organisation? Individual

Do you have a view on the proposed 1.72 percent and 2.05 percent increases to the payments to treatment providers listed in Table 1 in the discussion document? Please provide reasons for your view.

Yes. I see the increase of 2.05% for NPs is in line with GPs, but I still do not understand why NPs are paid less than GPs for the same work and responsibilities. This needs clarification as an NP is not the same as a nurse

Do you have a view on the proposal to split out classes of Specified Treatment Providers into the separate classes shown in Table 1 in the discussion document, so payment rates can be differentiated in the future? Please provide reasons for your view.

I think it is a good idea, again not sure why NPs are paid less?

Do you have a view on the proposed 2.05 percent increase to the payments to Audiologists listed in Table 2 in the discussion document? Please provide reasons for your view.

No

Do you have a view on removing all provisions that require deductions from regulated dental payments? Please provide reasons for your view.

No

Do you have any overall comments that you would like to make on the review or recommendations?

As above, please place your payments in line with Ministry of Health regulations and pay NPs the same as GPs

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