



MORE REASONS TO BECOME A SUPPORTER OF A FAIRER DENTAL SYSTEM

Here are several more reasons that you as an individual or an organisation might want to stand up with us on this issue:

- Many Australians are missing out on timely care because of affordability or access issues, especially young people and adults (including older Australians) who are in low income families, people in Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities, and/or living in rural and remote areas of the nation
- Oral health is an essential part of your general health and access to dental health services is as essential as access to all other health services.
- The Federal Governments' funding for adult public dental care has fallen since 2013
- Public dental waiting lists range from many months to several years and are on the rise again
- Consumers' out-of pocket costs for dental care are four times higher than the average for all other health care, especially affecting those on lower than average incomes
- It matters especially for our children where good oral health promotion and regular check-ups and care are evidence-based investments in the future
- The current Federally funded Child Dental Benefits Schedule is providing good affordable care to children (97% bulk-billed) but needs to be promoted more to enable more children to use it – NOHA is concerned it will be capped

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