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Dear Sir,

with reference to your
consultation paper, "Modernising NHS Dental
Services in Scotland". Having read the
paper & attended the HcFh conference in
Gydebank, to discuss the above, I am
appalled by the sheer Ignorance of the
real situation G.D.P.'s face, in trying
to run their practices. You lie when
you say you intend to modernise the NHS
when all you can offer is to turn the
Service into a 3rd world, EAST-European
Communist, level of Service, for the
funding presently available.

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I have worked for almost 24 years in the NHS. I shouldn't have to bestr through 42-50 patients a day, just to make a living or pay all the expenses a practice entails. I have seen all this sort of talking before, it will come to nothing substantial, ie proper funding, 10-15% increase is a joke

100% - ie a doubling of fees etc. probably too much, the answer lies somewhere in between. You people can't deliver any improvement in our working day.

Hopefully I will try to leave the NHS, a big wrench, because that's what I am used to, or hopefully I will retire as soon as possible - Grrr!

Yours faithfully
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