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Summary



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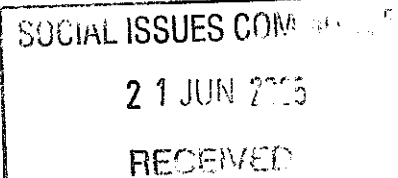
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The Standing Committee on Social Services
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Dear Standing Committee Members,

The Inquiry into Dental Services

I wish to draw your attention to the problem of the ageing of the pool of dental academics. As a consequence there is a danger that in the not too distant future, too few will remain to support the training of both new dentists and dental specialists; the latter group being the source of most dental academics. In short, the well of knowledge and experience needed to support the education and training programs for future professional dental personnel is in danger of drying up.

This is not necessarily a problem peculiar to NSW, but that is not the point, there is an urgent need to recruit new academic staff so that the Faculty of Dentistry at the University of Sydney can deliver the necessary training programs to future providers of dental care in NSW communities.

Yours faithfully,

Wendell Evans
Associate Professor