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Positions held with ADOHTA Branches

1995 - 2002: Deputy President, President and Executive Member for ADOHTA QLD

Lead the review of the Queensland Dental Act

Positions held within ADOHTA National Council

2009 - 2018: ADOHTA's nomination for the Dental Board of Australia.

What was the most significant change within the profession during your involvement with ADOHTA?

Creation of oral health therapists and national registration

Brief Outline of your career and achievements:

- 1981 1992: Clinical Dental Therapist (including management positions)
- 1993 2000: Tutor Dental Therapist
- 2000 2013: Oral Health Therapist Education





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Your most memorable ADOHTA moment:

Bursting into tears when I heard the latest scope of practice standard (which I wrote) had been approved, unchanged, by the ministers.

Any other information important to ADOHTA's History:

Lead the association's response to the review of the Queensland Dental Act in the 1990's. This review resulted in private practice for dental therapists and also a position on the dental board.

First dental therapist appointed to the Queensland Dental Board in 2001 and remained a member until national registration in 2009. Achieved loosening of some restrictions on supervision by dentists.

First oral health therapist appointed to the inaugural Dental Board of Australia, serving three terms, until 2018. Over nine years I achieved loosening and ultimately, removal of supervison by dentists on oral health therapists, dental therapists and dental hygienists. I wrote the latest scope of practice standard being introduced in July 2020.



