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Comment

DENTAL bills really do mean severe hardship for many households.

It is a shame for British dentists that their colleagues overseas can undercut them by as much as two thirds.

But what a blessing for those patients facing costs of up to £40,000.

This is a reminder of the NHS dental crisis which has shamed Britain over the past decade.

How can such a rich and developed country not even look after its people's teeth?

And what of the NHS generally? Medical tourists are going abroad for heart bypasses and other major procedures.

Everyone feels bad for those who cannot afford to do the same, but who can blame those who do?

The NHS, once the envy of the world, serves many but regrettably fails some.

If writing a cheque is a way of circumventing those failures at least it relieves a little pressure on the system. That way hopefully everyone, in time, will receive a better service.