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Thanks for the reply Nicola. Two areas the inquiry should look at are the ADA's and Dental Boards 'Code of Ethic's and an American law which was introduced to prevent American dentists from non consensually doing something on a patient where a financial/purchase incentive from the suppliers was the reason why the product was selected not the best interests of the patient. I think it was called the 'Sunflower Law'?? (I'll try and find more detail on it). The reason why I mention it is the offshore industry is hallmarked by incentive agreements with Southern Cross Dental Laboratories (the biggest supplier of chinese crowns in Australia) having such incentives (they also target new graduates by 'gifting' them \$1500 worth of free labwork!!).

Anyway, every single one of my private patients are appalled at what has been going on and all advised they would pay the higher price to get an Australian made item rather than the Asian item. The sad thing is that this deception continues because patient's haven't got a clue what's been happening.....

Hope the inquiry hands out some tough recommendations.

Regards John
