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Assessing Implant Dentistry Awareness among Postgraduate Dental Students: A Survey Study

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ABSTRACT

AIM:

The aim of this study was to evaluate knowledge, attitude and awareness of dental implants among postgraduate.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

A self-explanatory questionnaire-based survey was prepared and circulated using a template provided by Google Forms (Google, Inc., USA, to +1000 postgraduate students in India. The questionnaire of sixteen questions is in English. It was designed to evaluate overall awareness and knowledge about dental implants. Subjects belonging to the specific departments (Oral surgery, Prosthodontics, Periodontics) will be selected for the study.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS USED:

The statistical analysis was performed using SPSS software (version 23).

RESULTS


The present study gives information about dental Postgraduate graduates belonging to Dept. Of Prosthodontics, Oral surgery and Periodontics of all three years ,assessing the students' knowledge and awareness about dental implants for the treatment of missing teeth. Out of a total of 1000 students, 700 returned the completely filled questionnaire. Out of them, 63.3% were somewhat aware and 29.9% were very aware and 6.9% were less aware about the implant dentistry. Awareness regarding implant dentistry was highest in IIIrd year post graduates , followed by IInd year Post Graduates and least in Ist Year Post Graduates.. Out of these 700 subjects the rest of the questions were asked and percentage calculated as depicted in table.

CONCLUSION

To create competent physicians committed to the advancement of prosthodontic implantology and for the good of society as a whole, significant progress is being made in the digitization and creation of a global curriculum.

In spite of the progress made in implant dentistry since its inception, there have been some loopholes in scientific based knowledge and established clinical experience among dental professionals and postgraduates.

KEYWORDS: Knowledge, Awareness, Perception, Dental implant, Dental Postgraduate students, India

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