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**An Awareness and Knowledge of General Dentists Regarding Prosthodontic
Protocols During Covid –19 Pandemic**

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ABSTRACT:

BACKGROUND:

The coronavirus disease (covid-19) was declared a pandemic on January 30- 2020 by WHO. More than a year down the lane covid -19 infection has spread widely among the Indian population. Current evidence indicates that it also spreads during dental treatment procedures. This study aims at evaluating the knowledge and ability of dental practitioners in prevention and infection control in a pandemic situation.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:


A web-based cross-sectional survey was distributed normally to dental practitioners through the social media platform. A descriptive questionnaire with 20 questions related to treatment and disinfection protocols for covid 19 patients was given and responses were recorded electronically.

RESULTS:

The results of the study showed that the dentist involved in the study has considerable knowledge and ability to prevent and maintain infection control during treatment procedures.

CONCLUSION:

Within the limitation of this descriptive questionnaire, it may be concluded that overall awareness about the coronavirus is adequate among the dental fraternity. Based on the overall response of the study it may be concluded that most practitioners are willing to take all precautionary measures toward the prevention of covid-19 disease in a dental setup.

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