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Evaluation of anxiety in patients undergoing dental procedures using various parameters - A Prospective study

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ABSTRACT-

Dental phobia is defined as "marked and persistent fear that is excessive or unreasonably caused by the presence or anticipation of a specific object or situation. It prevents the patients from undergoing the treatment, and are revealed by the initial interaction between the dentist and the patient. A prospective study was done to measure and evaluate the factors influencing dental anxiety, and to check the association of the pain perception with dental anxiety among patients who were coming to ITS dental college in Muradnagar, Ghaziabad, representing the population of Uttar Pradesh, India. All the parameters of Corah's dental anxiety scores were surveyed. The scores for high anxiety were maximum for injection(16.2%), followed by fear of being injured(13.8%) and extraction(11.2%). For almost all the procedures the higher percentage of anxiety levels were found to be low.

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