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Best practices: 1

Title of practice: Danta Bhagya yojana providing free dental service to lower socio-economic status people in remote parts of Karnataka.

Objectives:

1. To diagnose and treat patients of lower economic strata.
2. To create oral health awareness among the patients.
3. To educate them about available treatment options
4. To encourage patients to seek holistic treatment in patients who require step wise comprehensive treatment.
5. To improve the quality of life of undeserved older adults by rehabilitating oral health status.
6. To provide dentures free of cost to senior citizens with complete edentulousness.

The context:

Danta Bhagya scheme aims to implement and support strategies provide awareness and motivation amongst all stratas of the population about oral health education and awareness. To strike balance between financial and financial incentive factors, it is recommended that all the stake holders should join the hands to make this scheme more sustainable.

The practice:

Under 'Danta Bhagya yojana' scheme two dental camps were organized by Department of Prosthodontics, College of dental sciences, Davangere at Hirekerur, Haveri district from 02-08-2019 to 03-08-2019 and at Huvinahadagali, Bellary district from 17-01-2020 to 18-01-2020. A total of 32 and 60 patients were screened on respective events to receive complete denture rehabilitation. A team of staff, PG's, interns and technicians took part in this event. It was held under the leadership of Dr Vinay G Kumar, head of the department of Prosthodontics.

Evidence of success:

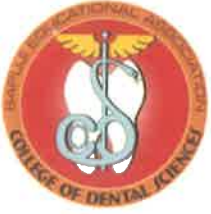
Senior citizens who could not afford the treatment expenses, multiple appointments and transportation. The camp was organized with the thought of considering the fact that beneficiaries, who are mostly senior citizens had to travel to district centers where dental colleges were located to receive any dental treatment.

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The complete denture procedure takes atleast 4-5 appointments which was inconvenient for the patients. During this program dentures were delivered within 3 days. Senior citizens who received the denture treatment service were able to eat food and maintain the overall health.

Problems encountered and resources required:

- Lack of awareness in rural masses,
- Inadequate funds to organize these camps,
- Lack of basic infrastructure to provide necessary treatment lack of dental setup (equipments and materials)
- Lack of manpower (trained doctors, technicians, clinical assistants),
- Lack of basic facilities like sterilization,
- Lack of adequate transport facilities,
- Time constraint to treat the patients.

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Best practices: 2

Title of practice: Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

Objective:

Cleanliness just the word creates a pristine feeling in one's mind. The objective of cleaning is not just to clean, but to feel happiness living within that environment.

Context

Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, or Clean India Mission is a country-wide campaign initiated by the Government of India in 2014 to eliminate open defecation and improve solid waste management. Started with an event conducted on 02.10.2017 at Anagodu village near satellite service centre and was planned to implement every year. Department of Public health dentistry organized the programme wherein all the post graduate students and interns participated in the event.

Practice

- Municipal solid waste, sweeping, collection and transportation.
- Municipal solid waste, processing, and disposal of solid waste.
- Open defecation free and toilets.
- Capacity building and eLearning.
- Provision of public toilets and community toilets

Evidence of success

We were able to educate the Angan wadi workers ASHA workers as well as the villagers regarding the importance of cleanliness and by keeping the surroundings clean which in turn improves the quality of life. We also educated them with ill practices of open defecation and maintenance of toilets.

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Problems encountered and resources required

Only a handful of people cannot bring about a change on their own

People still lack toilets, overcome partial toilet use, and retrofit toilets which are not yet sustainably safe

One of the issues faced was toilets that were constructed but had no running water, rendering them unusable

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