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Institutional Distinctiveness

Community outreach Services at low and affordable cost

College of dental sciences, Davangere, has been set up with a clear and primary mission to have moral responsibility towards patients, society and nation by providing evidence-based treatment. District of Davangere has 843 villages, with rural population of 13,16,487 out of total population 21,59,502. According to Government data, 3,28,091 are below poverty line. For People unable to afford for daily needs, dental treatments will be luxury since dental treatments with advanced facilities are lacking in many district/ government hospitals. Considering the above challenges, our institute has initiated numerous programs to aid and reach the needy and unaffordable section of population.

To aid in this aspect various outreach activities along co-ordination with local authorities various dental health camps were organised in different schools in and around Davangere and educated about oral hygiene instructions and maintenance to students.

1. Rising Star School, Davangere- 10-01-2019
2. Camp at a Government School, Hallebisleri- 16-01-2019
3. Camp at a Government School, Hallur- 24-01-2019
4. Camp at, Toluamsae, 4/2/2019
5. Camp at a Government School, Attigere- 04-02-2019
6. Camp at Arogya mela, 25,26/02/2019
7. Camp at a Government School, Naganur- 2/5/2019
8. Camp at Karjagi- 6/6/2019
9. Camp at Hirekerur, 2/8/2019
10. Camp at KVS School, PJ Extension, Davangere- 20-08-2019
11. Camp at Lions club ,Ranebennur, 22/10/2019

Management and treatment of differently challenged patients:

The Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry focuses at providing utmost dental care to all our patients right from a new born till they reach their adolescents, including individuals with special health care needs. Psychological development is a dynamic process which begins from birth and proceeds in an ascending fashion based on the various experiences the child has thereby having an impact on their overall behaviour. As a pedodontist we also aim at understanding the various dimensions of a child's cognitive and psychological development so as to guide them to have a positive dental attitude lifelong.

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It involves giving a gift of dental significance such as a toothbrush kit which acts as a reward at the same time also serves as a reinforcement for good dental health. They also include words of appreciation given by the dentist to the child following the procedure or a pat on the back. These tangible rewards remind the child of the pleasant dental experience that they had thus motivating them to come for the following dental visits. They also help in decreasing the child's dental anxiety in the successive appointments.

This technique is quite unique as it helps the child to look at the dental procedure as a practice which will benefit them and also will help alleviate their pain. It inculcates a sense of achievement in the child as they displayed a cooperative behaviour during the procedure which at times can be slightly discomforting. It also brings about a change in their overall attitude towards life in the long run when they expect to be rewarded if they show a positive approach when faced with a difficult situation.

The children with Mild mental disability, Severe mental disability, Learning disability, Blind patient, Cerebral palsy & epilepsy, Wilson's disease, Hearing impairment, Microcephally Global development delay, and Epilepsy are being successfully handled and provided with necessary dental care at Department of Pedodontics as per need.

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