AGEING POPULATION

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Demography shows that the proportion of elderly people is increasing



Oral health is an integral part of general health



The most important challenge is maintaining oral health and providing care



The code of ethics should specify that treating ageing population is every dentist's concern.

The recommendation may require considerable additional resource if they are to be enacted across all healthcare systems.



Education in geriatric dentistry is essential



Geriatric dentistry should be incorporated into undergraduate (basic education) and postgraduate dental curricula



The dentist needs to adjust from a "treat everything" philosophy to treating and restoring what is necessary for patients to function comfortably.



Prevention before intervention



An individual oral health plan should be developed



Twice daily oral health care must be provided to all long-term care residents who are unable to manage their own care.



The staff in a long term care facilities should be educated on the importance of thorough daily oral care for residents, trained and equipped to provide that care.



It is necessary to include a dental check-up into the schedule of general medical examinations of the residents performed at least once a year with follow-up procedure



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Oral Rehabilitation for Compromised and Elderly Patients

This book is designed to help dentists in general practice to improve the results of prosthetic procedures in medically compromised and elderly patients. In particular, it critically scrutinizes various dogmas that govern practitioners' approaches yet lack sound scientific support and often have an adverse effect on outcomes. Attention is drawn to straightforward procedures that offer significant clinical benefits and to aspects that are too often neglected, such as the impact of systemic diseases. New light is cast, for example, on the taking of dental impressions, the treatment of malocclusions, the making of jaw relation records, the relationship between denture quality and patient satisfaction, and the use of implantsupported overdentures versus traditional complete prostheses (dentures). As Albert Einstein once said, "It is what we think we know that prevents us from learning more." Readers will find that this book helps them to reexamine taken-for-granted elements of their practice, leading to improved care and patient satisfaction.

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