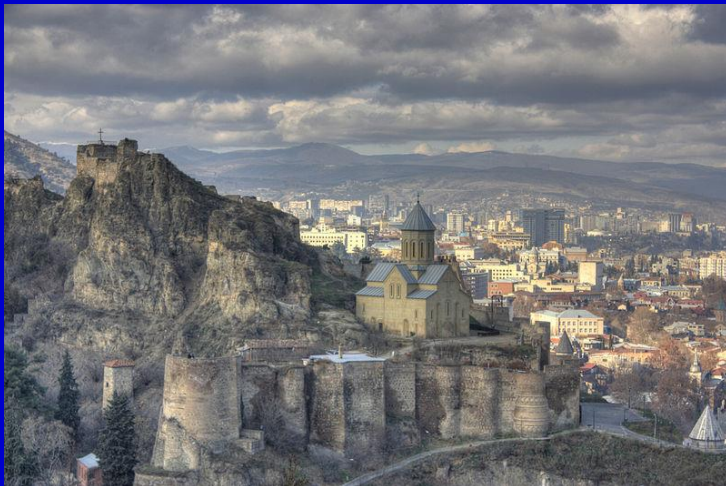


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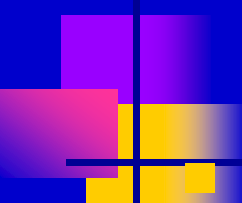
The Board according the decision taken by the Plenary in Postzdam regarding the Dental Hygienist Profile, considered the possibility to find a common agreed profile useful for the needs of our profession.



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It was explained the legal basis criteria for a free movement and establishment regulated professions for example PQD Directive in EU: scope for and definition of diploma, minimum standards in the training program, system of automatic recognition.

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DHs have already a clear independent professional role cooping with the dentist in oral health care in some member countries;

- DHs have already a clear learning outcome profile in some countries;
- DH Diploma is a degree according Bologna process in some member states;



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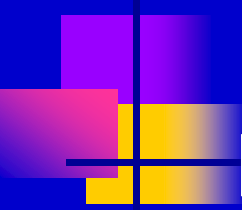
In some European Countries DH can work independently instead of the other members of DT;



WG DENTAL TEAM

The majority of the members of the WG "Dental Team" believe that an education as a DH on a bachelor level does not make sense rather do they prefer an on-the-job training within the scope of an advanced further training.

WG DENTAL TEAM



DH profile its a profile that it doesn't belong to a regulated profession under the umbrella of new PQD: in those countries where this profile exists it is not possible to have an automatic mutual or partial recognition, according to paragraph 6 of article 4 f). Of course in a country where there are no DHs it is not possible to practice in any case.



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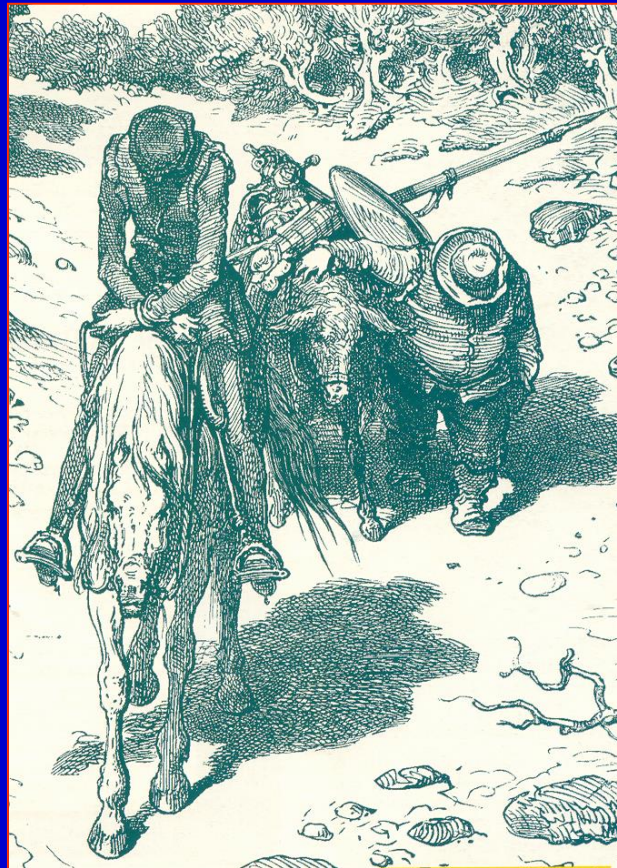
For all of these reasons we started considering the respect the standards and decision of Oral Care Prevention Standard Systems in European Countries continuing on the path way to create a **new common agreed profile educated from dental professional associations : a tool to be used only if needed!**



WG DENTAL TEAM

WG created a professional profile steps for education, training, for DCA , DPA , DH totally under the umbrella and for the utility of the profession avoiding Bologna Process and Bachelloreates.

BIG QUESTION





IS IT A MATTER OF

- Vocational training?
- Basic education and training?
- Population and Society needs?
- Dental market of the Country?
- Needs of politics?
- Evaluation of risk management?
- Distribution and dilution of risks?
- Evaluation of responsibilities?

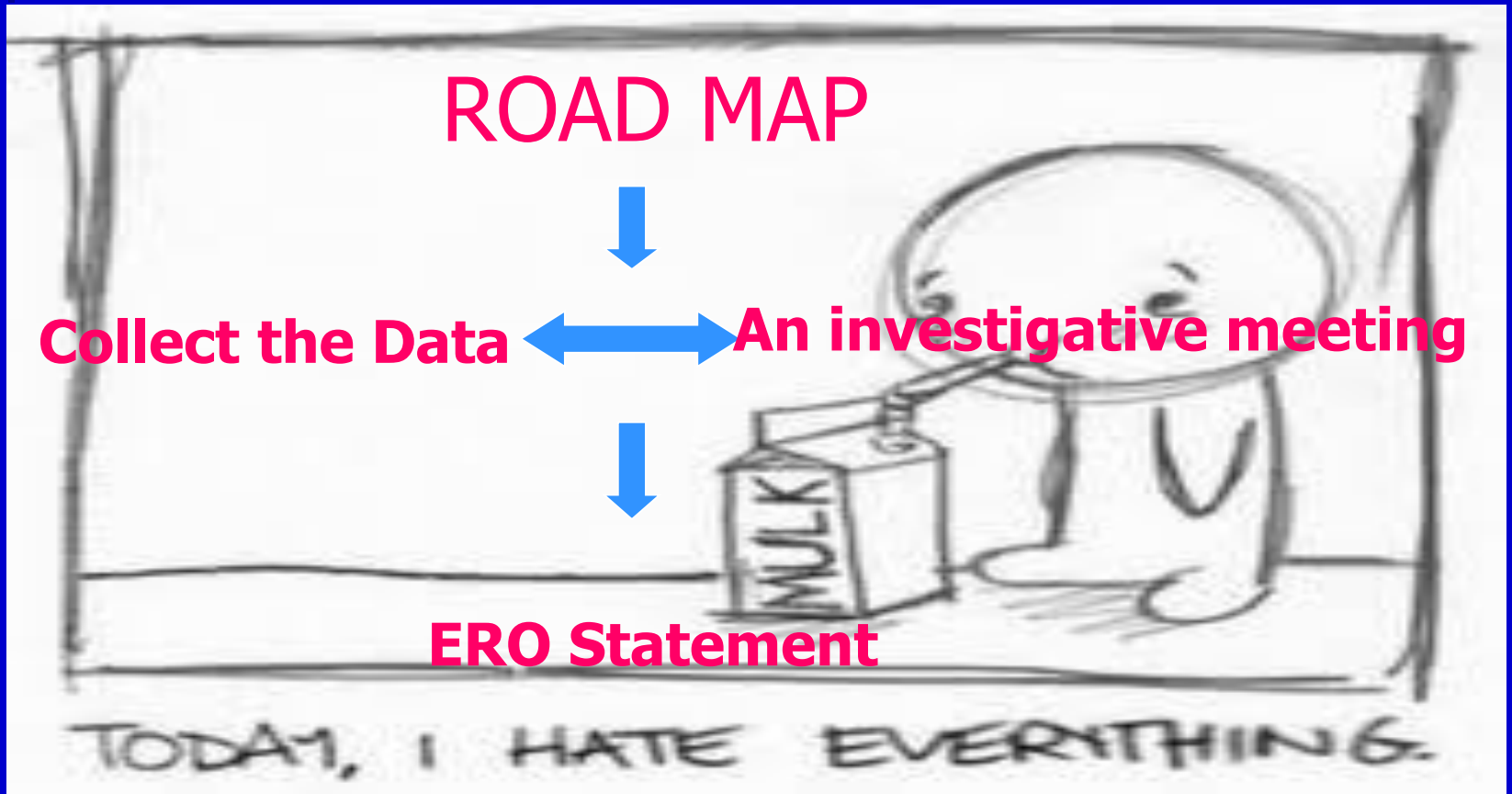


IT IS A MATTER OF:

DELEGATION YES !

SUBSTITUTION NO !

IT WAS A CHALLENGE!!!





RESOLUTION DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

Preamble

- European Regional Organization of FDI, which represents more than 540.000 dentists Europe wide, aims to promote high standards of oral healthcare and dentistry and effective patient-safety centred professional practice.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- All members of the dental team should use only those qualifications or titles which are approved by the competent dental authority in their countries (legislation in the establishment country, place of work, country of practice).



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- In those ERO Member States where dental hygienist sanitary profile exists education, training and field of competences are very different.
- The following professional profile, built, educated and trained by Dental Profession on Dental Chair side Assistant profile and Dental Preventive Assistant Profile, is Dental Hygienist Profile.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- The European Regional Organization of the FDI wants to contribute to patient safety through the development of policy of the dental team structure as well as the relationship of the dental team with patients.
- For these reasons, European Dental Organizations submitted this Profile of DH to the ERO Plenary assembly dated April 24,2015



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- The Dental Hygienist works in private and public dental practices only under the supervision of the dentist.
- The dental hygienist is trained and examined according to the following professional profile as described in the Annex.
- The dental hygienist supports the dentist as responsible for the promotion and maintenance of good oral/dental hygiene.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- In addition to the skills and knowledge of Dental Chair Assistants(DCA), Dental Preventive Assistants (DPA), the Dental Hygienist shall acquire and improve skills and knowledge in the following fields which are also listed in the annex:



RESOLUTION DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

Technical and Professional Skills

- ▪ Implement individualized prevention programs approved by the dentist
- ▪ Assist on Clinical Records
- ▪ Take, collect and keep radiographic and photographic documentation
- ▪ Collect and record clinical dental and periodontal indexes
- ▪ Perform non surgical periodontal therapies
- ▪ Topical pharmacologic application for prevention



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

Perform Oral Health Prevention

- ▪ To motivate continuously the patient
- ▪ Educate about methods and train the patient about home based oral health preventive measures including oral hygiene
- ▪ Sensitize about the needs of clinic periodic controls
- ▪ To indicate the importance of an adequate and balanced diet for the protection of the oral/dental health
- ▪ Sensitize parents



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

Perform Oral Health Prevention

- . Implement preventive programs: in pregnancy, in new born child, in child, in primary and secondary schools, in patient with special needs, in elder patients and for people living in deprived communities
- ▪ To motivate the children (and) about the topical fluoride applications and procedures without drilling
- ▪ To give advice for oral cancer prevention.
- ▪ To do counseling for smoking cessation
- ▪ To remove extrinsic discolorations and pigmentations of the teeth through polishing.
- ▪ To polish the dental restorations.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

Trainee Admission

As initial requirement for the dental hygienist training:

- The trainee should have fulfilled a training as DCA and DPA and should have practiced one year as a DPA.
- **Minimum Training Requirements**
In addition the Training Body should provide at least 300 additional hours of education and training.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- **Organizing Body:**
 - · The Training Body should be accredited by the Regulatory Body of the Country.
- **Professionalism:**
 - · Course Coordinator: graduated with teaching-experience in the medical-dental sector;
 - · Headmasters: at least 3 years of experience in the professional practice and didactic experience in the dental field.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- **Necessary Structures and equipment:**
- ▪ Room for theory lesson and teaching devices to be used for the lesson in conformity with the current legislation.
- ▪ Training opportunities with the basic equipments of dental practice.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- **Final Examination**
- Admission to the final examination is subject to the positive presentation of the candidate and is approved by the organizing body on the basis of tests and internal admission examinations.
- The qualification issued by the statutory testing body is awarded only after a practical exercise and a final examination in front of a committee composed of the competent authorities and representatives of national dental associations.



RESOLUTION

DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- **Acquired Rights/Transitional Condition**
- **For European Union Countries DH profile is a profile that doesn't belong to a regulated profession under the umbrella of PQD 36/2005: in those countries where this profile exists, it is not possible to have an automatic mutual or partial recognition, according to paragraph 6 , article 4 f).**
- **In countries where there is no DH's Profile, it is not possible to practice in any case.**

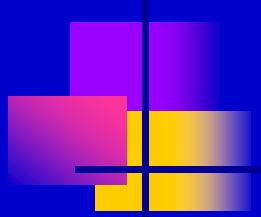


RESOLUTION DENTAL HYGIENIST PROFILE

- **Continuing Education**
- A DH is expected to attend continuing education courses in line with the specific requirements of the Country concerned.
- **Registration/Regulatory Authority**
- According the Country legislation

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS





**Thanks for
your attention**