

ABSTRACT

Title: *Dental Patient's Awareness And Attitudes In Using Dental Implants In Their Recourse to Ardabil Dental University In 2015.*

Objective and back ground: *The purpose of this survey was to assess the level, sources, and need for information about dental implants among a selected sample of dental patients in Ardabil, Iran.*

Method and material: *In this cross- sectional study, 150 patients were identified from referred patients to Ardabil dental university in 2015. Information were collected through questionnaire.*

Results: *The results of this study indicate that 64% of the subjects knew about dental implants. The subjects' friends and their relatives were the main source of information about dental implants for 24% of the subjects, and dentists were the secondary source for 16.7% of the sample. About 96% of the subjects need more information about dental implants and 85.3% of them chose the dentist to be the desired source for such information, followed by the internet in 9.3% of the cases.*

Conclusions: *Considering the results of our study, it is important to raise the awareness of dental implant treatment. Iranian population should be informed and educated about dental implant treatment by means of public awareness counseling centers within outpatient wards in dental clinics. This measure will eventually contribute to increased oral health among Iranian populations.*

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