School Dental Health Program

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Lecture outline:

- Importance of School Dental Health Program
- Objectives of school health program
- The Phases in School Oral health program

Importance of School Dental Health Program

The maximum time consuming and the most important task in the field of community dentistry is

Objectives of school dental health program

- To evaluate the health status of pupils
- To educate and motivate the children for correction defect like cleft lip and palate
- To Identify, educate and motivate the handicapped children
- To prevent and control diseases
- To provide emergency services

✓ Dental Health Instruction:

helping children and parents understand the nature and significant of conditions revealed by dental inspections and to solve dental health problems

- Lecture methods
- Lecture demonstration methods
- Discussion methods
- Questioning methods
- Directed study and practice method
- Team teaching method

✓ Dental Health Service Program:

Determining the dental health status of each child in relation to his or her school groups, his or her family and his or her community and providing the dental health services

- Periodic dental check- up
- Reports to parents
- Periodic follow up of program and home care
- Emergency care
- Periodical evaluation

✓ Dental Health Treatment including preventive procedure:

includes all those treatment and preventive procedures which are to be carried out after the examination of teeth and formulation of diagnosis

- Self applied fluorides:
- school fluoride mouth rinsing program
- tablet program and tooth brush program
- School based Sealant program

- School water fluoridation
- Topical fluoride application program: APF
- Oral health education:

The school can promote good health and prevent oral problems by educating students and parents, it should focus on:

good oral hygiene, good nutrition, use of fluoride, The use of mouth guard in high body contact sports

