

Oral Health and Violence Exposure Quick-Poll

Please complete the anonymous poll below.

Incidents of interpersonal violence often result in damage to the maxillofacial area. The degree that dental practitioners assess for exposure to violence during dental visits is understudied. We are interested in learning about your experiences and views about screening for violence exposure as part of your professional dental role. To the best of your ability, please answer the anonymous quick-poll below.

1. Does your patient health history form ask about any violence exposure (i.e., physical, mental, emotional)?

- Yes
 No

2. Please indicate how much you agree with the following statement: Dental practitioners should screen patients for any violence exposure as part of the professional role.

- Strongly disagree
 Disagree
 Neither agree nor disagree
 Agree
 Strongly agree

3. What signs of violence exposure do you typically look for? (Check all that apply)

- I don't assess/screen for violence exposure
 Maxillofacial trauma in dental x-rays
 Bruising to mouth, face, or neck
 Lacerations to mouth, face, or neck
 Broken, damaged, or missing teeth
 Dental caries
 Red, swollen, or bleeding gums
 Emotional distress
 Distress caused by physical touch
 Other: _____

Other, please specify

4. On a scale of 1 (not comfortable) to 10 (very comfortable), how comfortable would you feel directing a patient to resources that assist persons with violence exposure in your local community?

1 (not comfortable) 10 (very comfortable)

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(Place a mark on the scale above)

5. Would you be interested in participating in a study about violence exposure among patients?

- Yes No