Probiotics for Oral Health:

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BACKGROUND

Colonization/co-colonize non-pathogenic bacterium and compete for nutrients

Some strains inhibit initiation of inflammation

Gingivitis patients may respond quickly

he smoking/Perio pts. respond better

Requires maintenance, not a quick fix!



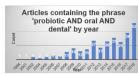


RESULTS:



CONCLUSIONS

- There is an increasing interest in the use of probiotics to improve oral health as an alternative to antibiotic use
- Bringing the practitioner and community together can build to develop a consensus
- Enhance communication between practitioners and patients to improve oral health





METHODS

- Practitioner Focus Group: ToPs Session
 Input on educational materials for use in practice and with patients and community
- Community Focus Group: ToPs Session Input on educational material for Community members for use with their healthcare providers (dental, medical & pharmacy), family and friends
- Face Validity:

 Review all materials for core

Review all materials for content and appearance.



Educational Materials Developed and Distributed to Participants



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