





ORAL HEALTH KNOWLEDGE BEFORE AND AFTER GUIDANCE FOR PATIENTS WITH AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE

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BACKGROUND

Oral health information influences change in habits, especially in autoimmune patients, susceptible to infectious diseases.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

A cross-sectional / descriptive study using a questionnaire applied before and after the guidelines on oral cleaning and prosthesis in patients attended by the rheumatologic center. The research was approved (CAAE: 0015.0.059.000-08) and carried out according to resolution 466/12.

RESULTS

The majority were: female (80%), faioderma (31.4%) and mean age 45 years. Prevalent rheumatologic diseases: systemic lupus erythematosus (42.86%) and rheumatoid arthritis (31.43%). Before the guidelines (42.85%) they answered that with gingival bleeding they would no longer use dental floss, after the guidelines this number reduced to (11.42%). About the knowledge about the materials used to clean the prosthesis (20%) answered correctly before the guidelines; after (82.85%) reported that they would sanitize with nail brush and coconut / detergent soap corresponding to the correct answer.

CONCLUSION

Diseases such as dental caries and periodontal disease can be avoided by preventive measures indicated by the guidelines on oral hygiene.