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How does the pandemic COVID-19 and the quarantine impact dental treatments and appointments?

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Background: The highly contagious nature of the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV2), besides the fact that dental procedures commonly generate blood and saliva droplets that could lead to the contagion have resulted in many complications in work. In the present study, we aimed to evaluate the impact of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic on dental practice by conducting a questionnaire among the Tunisian dental practitioners and patients. Methods: This report is based on a questionnaire that was conducted among the dental clinic of Monastir. The survey included questions that evaluate complications caused by COVID-19 pandemic and its effect on their personal life, and the quality of dental services for patients. Results: Overall, 200 Patients contributed to this study. The majority of the participants was not satisfied (80%). They repo complications (dental fracture: 67%, loss of prostheses: 56%, Inflammation: 34%.

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