



Oral Health and Older Adults

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Older Adults and the Disparity in Oral Health Status; the Problem and Innovative Ways to Address It

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32366301/>

The impact of oral health inequities on one's ability to maintain good health is cumulative throughout life and accentuated in older age groups. This study outlines opportunities to ensure sustainable models of preventative services and oral health, the effects of which would be amplified in universal dental healthcare. (PAID ACCESS)

The Influence of Oral Health Factors on the Quality of Life in Older People: A Systematic Review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31729525/>

A poor oral health-related quality of life can compromise a person's psychological state, social relationships, personal beliefs, and physical health. The systematic review aimed to identify oral health factors associated with oral health-related quality of life in older adults and give a comprehensive overview of the literature for each oral health factor separately. (PAID ACCESS)

Demographics and Oral Health Care Utilization for Older Adults

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33641751/>

This article examines the key shifts older adults face, including changes in overall status and living arrangements, that can aid in defining older adults and their medical needs. It also highlights the changes in dental use patterns and the increased demand for comprehensive dental services for older adults. (OPEN ACCESS)

Predictors of Oral Health Quality of Life in Older Adults

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/16927735/>

This study evaluated the relationship between older persons' oral health-related quality of life and their functional dentition, caries, periodontal status, chronic diseases, and demographic characteristics. (PAID ACCESS)

Knowledge, Attitude and Practice Survey on the Perspective of Oral Lesions and Dental Health in Geriatric Patients Residing in Old Age Homes

<https://www.ijdr.in/article.asp?issn=0970-9290;year=2020;volume=31;issue=1;spage=22;epage=25;aulast=Palati>

The study aims to analyse the knowledge about oral lesions, the symptoms of such lesions, and their attitude towards the treatment of these problems faced by institutionalized geriatric individuals. (OPEN ACCESS)

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A Systematic Review and Gap Analysis of Frailty and Oral Health Characteristics in Older Adults: A Call for Clinical Translation

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34331353/>

This systematic review updates the evidence for association between oral health characteristics and frailty status, identifying gaps in translation dental research and the application of frailty assessment into clinical practice. (PAID ACCESS)

Oral Health and Dental Care Among Older Adults in Diverse Populations: Analyses of Large Cohort Data

https://academic.oup.com/innovateage/article/6/Supplement_1/276/6937885

This symposium includes five studies examining the linkages between oral health, systemic conditions, and social behaviours affecting oral health and dental care utilization in older adults. (PAID ACCESS)

Oral Hygiene and Health-Related Quality of Life in Institutionalized Older People

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34313976/>

This study evaluated oral hygiene level and its association with oral health and general health-related quality of life (HRQoL) among older residents in long-term care facilities. (PAID ACCESS)

Oral Health and Its Associated Factors Among Older Institutionalized Residents- A Systematic Review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31717812/>

The oral health of an aging population, precisely that of the institutionalized elderly population, constitutes a significant concern as it is linked to general health and quality of life. This study aims to describe recently reported oral health levels, the oral health-related quality of life, and the associated factors among older institutionalized residents. (OPEN ACCESS)

The Association Between Malnutrition and Oral Health in Older People: A Systematic Review

<https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6643/13/10/3584>

The systematic review examined the association between malnutrition and oral health in older people. (OPEN ACCESS)

Oral Health-Related Quality of Life and Associated Factors Among Older People in Short-Term Care

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31782889/>

The cross-sectional study aimed to describe and analyze oral health-related quality of life among older people in short-term care and its associated factors. (OPEN ACCESS)

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Older Seniors During the COVID-19 Pandemic-Social Support and Oral Health-Related Quality of Life

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34574950/>

Limited social support for older or frail people during COVID-19 may have a decreased oral health and related quality of life. This study aimed to investigate the social support of older seniors and self-perceived oral health-related quality of life throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. (OPEN ACCESS)

Association Between Oral Health and Frailty Among American Older Adults

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32859517/>

This study examined the association between tooth loss, periodontal diseases, and frailty among older American adults. (OPEN ACCESS)

Oral Health Condition and Development of Frailty Over a 12-Month Period in Community-Dwelling Older Adults

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34284766/>

This population-based, case-cohort study sought to determine the association between oral health conditions and the development of frailty over a 12-month period in community-dwelling older adults. (OPEN ACCESS)

Oral Health Status and Need for Oral Care in an Aging Population: A Systematic Review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31752149/>

This literature review examines the oral health status and the need for oral care in people with dementia, as compared to people without dementia, and the relationship between periodontal disease and cognitive impairment. (OPEN ACCESS)

The Association Between Malnutrition and Oral Health in Older People: A Systematic Review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34684584/>

This systematic review examined the association between malnutrition and oral health in older people. (OPEN ACCESS)

Association Between Oral Health and Frailty: A Systematic Review of Longitudinal Studies

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31025772/>

This study sought to systematically review longitudinal studies on the association between oral health and frailty indicated by any validated scale or index. (PAID ACCESS)