

# Needs Assessment and Research Priorities in the Oral and Dental Health with Health Promotion Approach in Iran

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## **For which topic were research priorities identified?**

oral and dental health

## **In which location was the research priority setting conducted?**

Asia - Iran

## **Why was it conducted at all?**

Oral and dental health has been considered as an essential component of public health, and the findings of various studies have confirmed its relationship with physical, psychological, and social dimensions of health. Given the relationship between oral diseases and the lifestyle and quality of life, it can be said that oral health affects various dimensions of the individuals' life. Oral and dental problems are paid special attention in public health and prevention dentistry for many reasons. These diseases are almost universal and rarely can be found anyone who has not been affected by them throughout his/her lives.

## **What was the objective?**

to identify and prioritize the research needs in the field of oral and dental health in a dental hospital in Tehran, Iran

## **What was the outcome?**

a ranking list of 18 research topics

## **How long did the research prioritization take?**

No information provided.

## **Which methods were used to identify research priorities?**

COHRED approach

## **How were the priorities for research identified exactly?**

Step 1: collecting research priorities: via document review, interviews and survey. Step 2: data analysis: 171 research topics in 6 areas identified. Step 2: survey: participants were asked to rate research topics based on COHRED criteria

## **Which stakeholders took part?**

Service recipients and providers, university experts and dental hospital managers. Interviews: 10 service recipients and providers. Survey: 70 participants: 25 policy-makers and managers, and 45 patients.

## **How were stakeholders recruited?**

70 stakeholders and patients of the dental hospital in Tehran were selected using the purposive sampling method.

## **Were stakeholders actively involved or did they just participate?**

Stakeholders were mere participants of the research prioritization process; they were not actively involved in the process.