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Seniors for Seniors: Utilizing the ADPIED Model to Design a Dental Public Health Program at an Adult Day Care Facility

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Abstract

Research shows that untreated caries and abscesses, periodontal disease, oral cancer, and tooth loss are at epidemic proportions. The need to establish a consistent way to assess and educate the senior adult population is critical. Senior dental hygiene students utilize the ADPIED model (Assessment, Dental Hygiene Diagnosis, Planning, Implementation, Evaluation, and Documentation) to identify needs through oral cancer evaluation. A part of the puzzle is to educate as well as determine referral sources for these clients. This session will highlight the specific ways the ADPIED model is utilized in the dental hygiene curriculum through the Community Oral Health Practicum course. This course works through establishing a target population all the way to the evaluation process.