

WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY

Report: Observation of “WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY” by the department of oral medicine and radiology at AMC dental college and hospital, Ahmedabad

Date: 31th May 2023

Name of venue:

- 1) Awareness camp for patients: OPD of oral medicine and radiology department
- 2) “Save the youth” campaign: Auditorium, AMC dental College and Hospital.

No. of patients screened and counseled: 200

No. of students participation in the awareness program: 181

No. of faculty members attended the program: 09

Activities done:

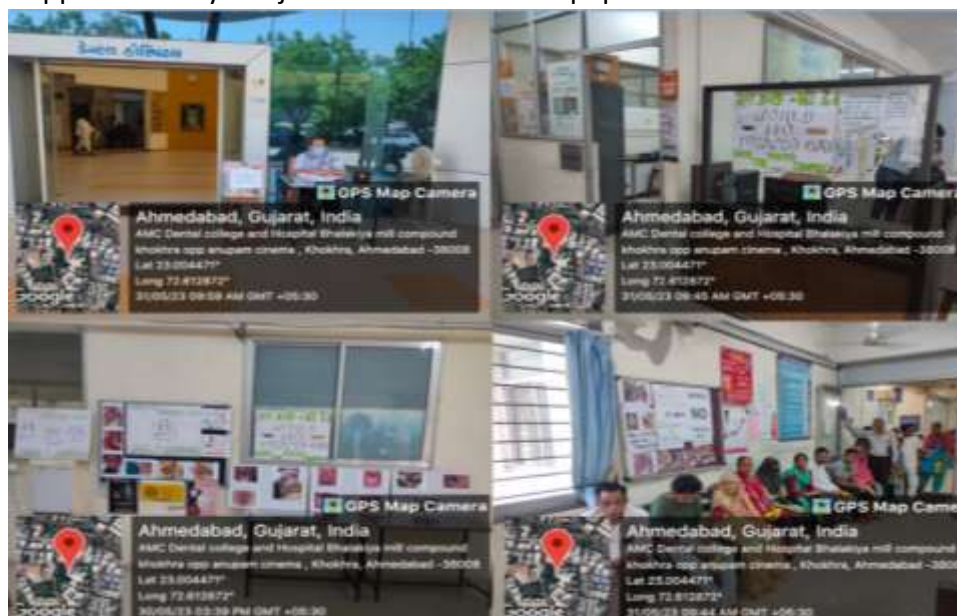
- 1) Awareness camp for the patients in the morning session
- 2) Awareness program – “Save the youth” campaign for the students in the afternoon session

Summary:

Department of oral medicine and radiology had organized an awareness program on the harmful effects of tobacco and betel nut use, on 31st May 2023.

In the morning session, all the patients were assessed for the destructive oral habits and screened for the habit related potentially malignant disorders and squamous cell carcinoma. Posters and models of the oral lesions, made in regional language, were used to create awareness among them about the harmful effects of tobacco and betel nut. The patients who required medicinal management for the oral lesions were given free medications. Total 200 patients got benefited through the camp.

In the afternoon session, UG and PG students of all the years and head of all the specialty and interested faculty members were invited to attend the awareness program. Highlights of the program were 1) Introductory session on this year’s theme given by WHO ‘Grow food not tobacco’ by Dr Vijay Bhabhor 2) ‘Awareness skit’ performed by the intern doctors of the department, mainly highlighting the triggers/risk factors of the addiction 3) Talk on oral manifestations of the habit: Potentially malignant lesion, Early cancer and established cancer and importance of early detection by Dr Sujit Patel 4) Talk on current scenario and counseling (deaddiction) by Dr Kosha Ruparelia 5) Concluding speech by Dean ma’am and oath taking. Total we were able to create awareness among 200 patients and 181 students in total and our efforts were appreciated by “Gujarat Samachar” news paper



Awareness program for patients at the hospital entrance and the department of oral medicine and radiology



Appreciation of “awareness and screening program” conducted at the oral medicine and radiology department of AMC dental college and hospital on “World No Tobacco Day”



Awareness skit performed by the intern doctors to address the triggers/ risk factors of addiction in youth