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It delves into the aspects of pathogenetic and etiotropic prevention of dental caries and periodontal diseases, as well as antenatal prevention. The textbook also includes structured guidelines for implementing the comprehensive prevention system, incorporating epidemiological assessment methods.

The textbook is intended for English-speaking students of the second (master's) level of higher education EPP Dentistry at higher medical education establishments, and can also be used by interns and dental professionals.

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INTRODUCTION

The significant prevalence and high intensity of oral diseases among the population, particularly children, necessitate the implementation of preventive measures aimed at preserving dental health.

Prevention is a complex of state, social, hygienic and medical measures aimed at ensuring a high level of health and preventing the development of diseases.

There are three levels of organization for preventive work: state, territorial and individual.

- 1. **State level** involves creating a legislative framework for preventive work, implementing and financing state programs for the prevention of dental diseases and creating appropriate socio-economic conditions to ensure the dental health of children and adolescents, etc.
- 2. **Territorial level** includes developing and providing resources for long-term programs of preventive dental care for children according to the standards for the child population in the appropriate administrative unit. This level also involves controlling the fluoride levels in drinking water.

Territorial programs should encompass social, hygienic and medical measures.

Social preventive measures for dental diseases are related to ensuring a healthy lifestyle for children, namely, adhering to nutritional standards, maintaining a balanced schedule of work and rest, personal hygiene, etc.

Hygienic preventive measures include educating children on oral care; ensuring environmental monitoring; implementing mass hygienic preventive measures – fluoridation of drinking water, use of iodized salt, etc. This group also includes educational work, particularly spreading knowledge about a healthy lifestyle, forming hygienic habits for oral care and maintaining oral health.

Medical preventive measures for dental diseases are aimed at developing and implementing etiologically and pathogenetically justified methods influencing the body and oral organs of children to increase their resistance to cariogenic factors.

3. **Individual system** of preventive care is created to reduce the incidence of dental and oral diseases. It involves selecting hygiene products, providing dietary advice to minimize the harmful effects of refined carbohydrates and conducting preventive visits to pediatric dental clinics.

According to the recommendations of the World Health Organization Expert Committee, all preventive measures are classified into primary, secondary and tertiary levels.

Primary prevention is a set of general measures to strengthen human health combined with specific measures aimed at preventing the occurrence of dental caries, periodontal diseases, dentofacial anomalies and other oral health issues.

Secondary prevention encompasses a range of methods for treating dental caries and its complications, periodontal diseases and dentofacial anomalies that have already developed. This involves therapeutic and surgical interventions to ensure the full functionality of the teeth, periodontium and the dentofacial system as a whole. The primary organizational method of secondary prevention is scheduled sanitation or the planned provision of dental care to preschool and school-age children, adolescents and organized adult populations based on a territorial principle.

Tertiary prevention in dentistry refers to the restoration of the lost function of the dentofacial system due to tooth extraction or diseases that have led to severe surgical operations on the face or jaws. Global prevention experience, summarized by the WHO, shows that compared to the 1970s, the level of periodontal tissue damage has increased by 30-40% depending on age. Epidemiological research indicates that the prevalence of dental caries in deciduous teeth among six-year-old children is 87,9%, and the prevalence of caries in permanent teeth among twelve-year-old children is 72,3%. The high incidence of dental caries necessitates significant improvements in preventive work through the implementation of a state prevention program, training the relevant specialists, a system for monitoring dental diseases and the most effective means of individual prevention.

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