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Should Access to Dental Healthcare be a Fundamental Human Right?

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Commentary

Dental health is still a key problem across the world. The continuing prevalence of dental illness associated to poverty overshadows advances with in dental hygiene of wealthy communities. The reasons for the persistent inequalities are several. It's been suggested that occupation is partly responsible. The dentistry sector had already turned its rear on its agreement and neglected society's most fundamental oral health care requirements as a result of a rise in consumer culture fuelled by market for sophisticated corrective and cosmetic procedures, along with insufficient government financing of healthcare. Although this may be true in some cases, notably in rich countries, professional dental care will always remain the final step in the treatment of oral illness. Raising dental health, as well as wellbeing, in deprived areas is contingent on tackling socioeconomic factors such as health education and nutrition; these along with addressing structural flaws in the health services, such as low availability of health-care labourer's and issue with financial and geographic coverage to healthcare facilities.

Discovering a long-term solution to dental health disparities has proven difficult. There is a rising focus in if human rights might help improve dental care results in past years. Failure to make progress toward achieving the greatest achievable level of wellness is viewed as a healthcare service failing and is presented as a breach of human rights out of a privilege protection viewpoint. The access to healthcare is a multifaceted notion with moral, philosophical, and practical aspects. It has limitations, which are imposed by accessible financial conditions and communities priorities. The question of if right to health includes the access to dental care remains unsettled. Because dental health is widely understood to be separate from overall health, it is sometimes overlooked as a component of the right to health. The factors for dental health's omission are not mentioned in overall health policy papers. Despite the fact that the worldwide incidence of illness research identified

tooth decay as the most prevalent avoidable illnesses, the dentists has been unable to convince the public healthcare system to regard dental health as an important part of overall wellbeing. Dental care is just ignored.

Dental care indications are not included in major worldwide healthcare monitoring initiatives. The established structures of healthcare workforce training are believed to be to blame for the maintenance of the cut-off of dental health from general healthcare. The inability to emphasise the significance of dental health in medical and nursing courses might be the fundamental reason. This is then exacerbated by the dentistry sector's failure to carve a route into the decision-making circles that shape health policy. The neglect of dental health is regrettable since there are many advantages to taking a comprehensive strategy. Inside an interconnected solution, aspects of healthcare service layout such as more effective resource consumption and a more adaptable staff are feasible. This is a mutually beneficial prospect. The relocation of the dental healthcare personnel in reaction to the COVID-19 epidemic is one instance. If the dental health personnel had been classified as part of the regular health care workforce, it could have been quickly repurposed to run testing centres and immunization clinics. The legal position of dental health is still up in the air, just when public officials embrace the responsibility of being responsible for progressive rights fulfilment. The concept of dental health encourages its incorporation in a larger context of general health, although the omission of dental health from several nations' universal health care programs lowers its legal standing. Within lack of a unified healthcare system, effort toward achieving the right to dental health can be made by creating an RBA-compliant dental healthcare system policy. Regular use of rights terminology in dental health policy, acceptance of universal human right to dental health metrics, advocacy for extensive quantitative research, transparent reporting, and active and adaptive policy revisions would all help to enhance this. It is important to question health care policy orthodoxy and encourage a much more holistic and inclusive RBA to dental healthcare system planning in order to acknowledge the right to dental health as a basic fundamental human right.

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