The attitude of post-graduate dental students to their career position and future at Shahid Beheshti Dental School

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Background & Aim: Taking back to many years ago, there are still some deficits in higher educational programs. One of the goals in every training system is to calculate baseline and updated information regarding demands and attitudes of post-graduate students to predict the probable shortcomings. This study was performed to evaluate the attitude of post-graduate dental students to their position and future.

Materials & Methods: This cross-sectional study was done on some postgraduate students of Shahid Beheshti Dental School. Data was collected through a questionnaire which was tested according to reliability and validity. The questionnaire included different questions about attitude to major, school and the social credits of dentists, etc. Mean scores of selected answers to specific 21 questions determined the final score via a range of 1-4 for each answer. The data was analyzed with SPSS version 16 and descriptive statistics were used for analysis.

Results: The mean and SD score on the attitude of postgraduate students was 2.62±0.3 (partly satisfied) that was more than the half of the total points score (2.5).

Conclusion: Post-graduate students are concerned seriously about future job that requires special attention considering cultural and commercial factors.

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