**PROSTHODONTICS, CROWN & BRIDGE**

**Objectives:**

• Training programme in Prosthetic dentistry including Crown & Bridge & Implantology is structured to achieve knowledge and skill in theoretical and clinical laboratory, attitude, communicative skills and ability to research with understanding of social, cultural, educational and environmental background of the society.

• To have acquired adequate knowledge and understanding of applied basic and systemic medical science, knowledge in general and particularly of head and neck.

• The postgraduates will be able to provide Prosthodontic therapy for patients with competence and working knowledge with understanding of applied medical, behavioral and clinical science, that are beyond the treatment skills of the general BDS graduate and MDS graduate of other specialities, to demonstrate evaluative and judgment skills in making appropriate decisions regarding prevention, treatment, after care and referral to deliver comprehensive care to patients.

3.6.1 a Knowledge:

The candidate should possess knowledge of applied basic and systemic medical sciences.

• On human anatomy, embryology, histology, applied in general and particularly to head and neck, Physiology & Biochemistry, Pathology and Microbiology, virology, health and diseases of various systems of the body (systemic) principles in surgery and medicine, pharmacology, nutrition, behavioral science, age changes, genetics, Immunology, Congenital defects and syndrome and Anthropology, Bioengineering, Bio-medical and Biological Principle and applications to Dental material science.

• Ability to diagnose and planned treatment for patients requiring a Prosthodontic therapy

• Ability to read and interpret a radiograph and other investigations for the purpose of
diagnosis and treatment plan.

Tooth and tooth surface restorations, Complete denture Prosthodontics, removable partial
denture Prosthodontics, fixed prosthodontics and maxillofacial and Craniofacial
Prosthodontics, implants and implant supported Prosthodontics, T.M.J. and occlusion,
craniofacial esthetic, and biomaterials, craniofacial disorders, problems of psychogenic
origin.

• Age changes and Prosthodontic Therapy for the aged.

• Ability to diagnose failed restoration and provide Prosthodontic therapy and after care.

• Should have essential knowledge on ethics, laws and Jurisprudence and forensic
odontology in Prosthodontics.

• General health conditions and emergency as related to prosthodontics treatment.

• Identify social, cultural, economic, environmental, educational and emotional determinants
of the patient and consider them in planning the treatment.

• Identify cases, which are outside the area of his speciality/competence and refer them to
appropriate specialists.

• Advice regarding case management involving surgical, interim treatment etc.

• Competent specialization in team management of craniofacial design.

• To have acquired adequate knowledge and understanding of applied basic and systematic
medical science knowledge in general and particular to head and neck.

• Should attend continuing education programmes, seminars and conferences related to
Prosthodontics, thus updating himself.

• Teach and guide his/her team, colleague and other students.

• Should be able to use information technology tools and carry out research both basic and
clinical, with the aims of publishing his/ her work and presenting his/her work at various
scientific forums.
• Should have essential knowledge of personal hygiene, infection control, prevention of cross infection and safe disposal of waste, keeping in view the risks of transmission of Hepatitis and HIV.

• Should have an ability to plan to establish Prosthodontics clinic/hospital teaching department and practice management.

• Should have a sound knowledge for the application of pharmacology. Effects of drugs on oral tissue and systems of a body and for medically compromised patients.

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3.6.1 b Skills:

• The candidate should be able to examine the patients requiring Prosthodontics therapy, investigate the patient systemically, analyze the investigation results, radiography, diagnose the ailment, plan a treatment, communicate it with the patient and execute it.

• Understand the prevalence and prevention of diseases of craniomandibular system related to Prosthetic dentistry.

• The candidate should be able to restore lost functions of stomatognathic system namely mastication, speech, appearance and psychological comforts. By understanding biological, biomedical, bioengineering principles and systemic condition of the patient to provide a quality health care of the craniofacial region.

• The candidate should be able to interact with other speciality including medical speciality
for a planned team management of patients for a craniofacial and oral acquired and congenital defects, temporomandibular joint syndromes, esthetics, Implant supported Prosthetics and problems of Psychogenic origin,

• Should be able to demonstrate the clinical competence necessary to carry out appropriate treatment at higher level of knowledge, training and practice skills currently available in their specialty area.

• Identify target diseases and awareness amongst the population for Prosthodontic therapy.

• Perform clinical and Laboratory procedure with understanding of biomaterials, tissue conditions related to prosthesis and have competent dexterity and skill for performing clinical and laboratory procedures in fixed, removable, implant, maxillofacial, TMJ and esthetics Prosthodontics.

• Laboratory technique management based on skills and knowledge of Dental Materials and dental equipment and instrument management.

• To understand demographic distribution and target diseases of Cranio mandibular region related to Prosthodontics.

3.6.1 c Attitudes:

• Adopt ethical principles in all Prosthodontic practice. Professional honesty and integrity are to be fostered. Treatment to be delivered irrespective of social status, caste, creed or religion of patient.

• Willing to share the knowledge and clinical experience with professional colleagues.

• Willing to adopt new methods and techniques in prosthodontics from time to time based on scientific research, which is in patient's best interest.

• Respect patient's rights and privileges including patient’s right to information and right to seek second opinion