

Appendix1. The questionnaire used in the study.

Question		Response
Personal data		
Gender	Male /Female	
Age (Years)	>25,26-30,31-40,41-45,46-50, and >50	
Occupation	oral maxillofacial surgery, oral medicine, oral pathology, public health, conservative and endodontics, orthodontics, prosthodontics, periodontics, and pedodontics	
Source of information	Social media/ Health authorities/ both	
Do you have sufficient knowledge on COVID--19	Yes/No/ Maybe	
Knowledge		
K1	Do you know that COVID-19 is a viral infection?	Yes/ No
K2	Do you know that COVID-19is fatal?	Yes/ No
K3	Do you know that COVID-19 is transmitted by close contact with an infected person?	Yes/ No
K4	Do you know that fever, cough, and shortness of breath are symptoms of COVID-19?	Yes/ No
K5	Do you know that the incubation period is COVID-19 is 2 weeks?	Yes/ No
K6	Do you think the vaccine is available in markets?	Yes/ No
K7	Do you think washing hands with soap and water or the use of sanitizer can help in the prevention of COVID-19 transmission?	Yes/ No
K8	Do you think patients with underlying chronic diseases are at a higher risk of COVID-19?	Yes/ No
K9	Do you know that the use of N95 can help in avoiding COVID-19?	Yes/ No
K10	Do you know that dentists are at a higher risk of COVID-19?	Yes/ No
Perceptions		
P1	Are you worried one of your family members may get COVID-19?	Yes/ No
P2	Transmission of COVID-19 can be prevented by using standard and isolation precautions given by WHO, CDC, ADA, etc?	Yes/ No
P3	The prevalence of COVID-19 can be reduced by the active participation of health care workers in the hospital infection control program?	Yes/ No
P4	If a COVID-19vaccine is available, would you have it?	Yes/ No
P5	Do you think dental treatment should be provided to patients with COVID-19 positive?	Yes/ No
P6	Dentists must avail themselves of all information about the COVID-19?	Yes/ No
P7	Is the available information about COVID-19 in your professional society sufficient?	Yes/ No
P8	Are the government institutions able to control the COVID-19 pandemic?	Yes/ No