

The questionnaire

Demographic data of the participants.

Gender: male or female

Years of clinical experience: < 2 \ 2-6 \ > 6

Education level: Bachelor of dental surgery, Master Degree, PhD Degree, Other (Diploma)

Section (A): the knowledge of forensic odontology

1. Are you familiar with the dental specialty known as forensic odontology?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
2. Do you think that DNA can be extracted from teeth?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) I don't know.
3. Is it possible to identify offenders and the deceased using forensic dentistry?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) I don't know.
4. Do you understand the value of the bite pattern of teeth?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
5. Can the Barr bodies be used to determine sex?
 - a) Agree.
 - b) Disagree.
 - c) I don't know.
6. Can enamel or dentin serve as a tool for determining age?
 - a) Agree.
 - b) Disagree.
 - c) I don't know.
7. How can you determine the dental age?
 - a) Calcification and eruption patterns.
 - b) Histological techniques.
 - c) Biochemical techniques.
 - d) I don't know.
8. In large-scale catastrophes, how could you identify a deceased person?
 - a) Reassembling the damaged corpse.
 - b) Fingerprints.
 - c) Dental records.
 - d) I don't know.
9. What is the term used in forensic dentistry for the examination of lip prints?
 - a) Lipology.
 - b) Cheiloscopy.
 - c) Dermatoglyphics.
 - d) I don't know.
10. What is your primary source of information about forensic dentistry?
 - a) Textbooks and scientific articles
 - b) Media (Internet, television, etc.)
 - c) Workshops, seminars.
 - d) Undergraduate books.

Section (B): the practice of forensic odontology

11. Do you keep dental records in your practice?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.

12. Did you receive any official training in forensic dentistry?
a) Yes.
b) No.
13. When you were a college student, was forensic odontology a component of your curriculum?
a) Yes
b) No
14. Do you believe that Egypt's resources are insufficient for studying forensic science?
a) Yes.
b) No.
15. Are you aware that you could be called into court as an expert witness in forensic dentistry?
a) Yes.
b) No.
16. Which of the following records do you maintain?
a) Casts.
b) Radiograph.
c) Patient photograph.
d) Case record of the patient.
17. How can you suspect child abuse?
a) Behavioral abnormalities.
b) Physical injuries.
c) Scars.
d) All the above.
e) I don't know.
18. If you suspected child abuse, what would you do?
a) Notify the police.
b) Tell the parents.
c) Don't do anything.

Section (C): the attitudes towards forensic odontology

19. Do you believe you have sufficient knowledge and understanding of forensic dentistry?
a) Yes.
b) No.
c) I don't know.
20. If offered a diploma or postgraduate study, would you be interested in enrolling in forensic odontology courses?
a) Yes.
b) No.
21. Do you have an interest in forensic dentistry as a career?
a) Yes.
b) No.
22. Do you have an interest in attending forensic odontology workshops and seminars?
a) Yes.
b) No.