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Dr Ayyaz Ali Khan Introduction

Dr Ayyaz did his BDS from de'Montmorancy College of Dentistry, Lahore in 1980 securing third position in the University. He went to Zimbabwe in 1982 as Senior Dental Surgeon, heading the dental services of Manicaland province. In 1988 he was awarded the Charles Wallance Trust Award to do an M.Sc. in Epidemiology & Health Planning at the University of Wales in UK, which he completed with Honourable Mention in 1989. Dr Ayyaz was awarded Ph.D. by National University of Ireland in 2001. Presently he is working as Professor at Shaikh Zayed Postgraduate Medical Institute where he has been heading the Department of Oral Health Sciences for the last 26 years. He is also CEO of the Institute of Advanced Dental Sciences and Research, Lahore.

He has been awarded Fellowships by Royal Society of Health and International College of Surgeons, and Membership of Faculty of General Dental Practice, Royal College of Surgeons. Recognized as a Ph.D. supervisor by HEC, University of Malaya and National University of Ireland, he is an examiner for almost all universities of Pakistan and the College of Physician and Surgeons of Pakistan.

Dr. Ayyaz Ali Khan has been the National Coordinator-Oral Health, Joint Ministry of Health, Government of Pakistan and WHO Collaborative program from 2002 to 2012; during the same time, he was the Associate Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, University of Punjab. He has also been the Convener, Expert Committee on Oral Health, Pakistan Medical Research Council (1996-2006) and was the team leader of the only national oral health survey of the country in 2004; this team presented the draft National Oral Health Policy to the Government of Pakistan the same year. He is a visiting Faculty at University of Faisalabad and Dow University of Health Sciences.

Dr Ayyaz has more than 120 publications to his credit and is a three-time recipient of National Research Productivity Award by the National Science Foundation, Government of Pakistan. He sits on the Editorial Boards of seven national and international dental journals; and has been the Associate Editor and the Managing Editor of Journal of Pakistan Dental Association. He has won national and international research grants of almost 10 million rupees; and has presented papers in over 60 national and international conferences. He has also been awarded Certificate of Merit by Federation of South Asian Dental Associations (SADAF) for outstanding contributions to the profession in the region. He has also supervised/co-supervised several PhD and M.Phil. students who have successfully completed their degrees.