Questionnaire addressed to dental hygienist associations

1º.- Number of working dental hygienists and if available where they are working (in %)

There are no official figures of working dental hygienists in Spain. Most of them are in private practice.

In Spain the Dental Hygienists are split between Professional Dental Hygienist schools (Madrid, Valencia, Castilla La Mancha, Galicia and Extremadura) and Dental Hygienist associations (HIDES and AHIADEC).

The dental hygienists from the schools have to be “collegiate”.

2º.- Names and addresses of the dental hygiene schools and the intake every year. Include name of the director of the school

Main dental hygienist institutions in Spain are:

Dental Hygienist schools:
Colegio Oficial de Higienistas Dentales de Madrid (www.colegiohigienistasmadrid.org)
Colegio Oficial de Higienistas Dentales de Castilla La Mancha (www.colegiohigienistascastillalamancha.es)
Colegio Oficial de Higienistas Dentales de Galicia (www.colegiohigienistasdegalicia.com)
Colegio Oficial de Higienistas Dentales de Valencia (www.colegiohigienistascv.es)

Dental Hygienist associations:
AHIADEC- Asociación de Higienistas y Auxiliares Dentales de Cataluña (www.ahiaced.com)
HIDES- Federación Española de Higienistas Bucodentales (www.hides.es)

3º.- Duration of education and degree. If a specific for dental hygienist master education is available mention this with the address. If the course is given in English (for countries other than the UK or Ireland) please mention this as well

The studies to get Dental Hygienist degree are: 1 academic year + 1 practical course (1400 hours). There is no master education.

4º.- Any other relevant information

Free circulation Spanish Dental Hygienists in UE (mainly UK and Italy)

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