

SAMPLE ABSTRACT - REVIEW

**Title: Geriatric Endodontics- An Overview: Diagnosis and Treatment Planning
(Part – II)**

Abstract:

Clinical decision making in elderly patients is increasingly challenging. Today, however, preservation of the natural dentition has been successful that tooth loss is no longer accepted as inevitable. Tooth retention has increased significantly in older individuals and dentists are now challenged to preserve the strategic teeth. There will be a need to consider the endodontic therapy and preservation of key teeth which will facilitate the satisfactory oral function for elderly patients. Elimination of infection can be challenging in narrow canals and a systematic approach in improving access and negotiating these canals is important for successful endodontic therapy. This review paper describes the challenges posed upon diagnosing, treatment planning and treating the elderly endodontic patient.