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TITLE	<b>AN INTRODUCTION OF CHINESE MILITARY DENTAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS</b>
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Abstract:	<p>In this presentation, the Chinese military dental education and health care systems were introduced. The majority of military dentists are trained in the School of Stomatology, the Fourth Military Medical University, which is the only military dental education institution in the People's Liberation Army (PLA). The military dental education program consists of three levels: undergraduate, master and PhD courses, with respective training of 5, 3, and 3 years. The dental health care system is comprised of five levels, from the regiment dental team level to the most integrated dental school level. At the basic regiment level, there is usually one dentist in the regiment medical team and one dental chair. The task for this level is to conduct oral health examination through regular check-up. At division hospital level, there are usually 2-3 dental chairs. Common dental diseases, such as caries and pericorotitis can be treated. At central hospital level of the military corps, 4-6 dental chairs and 5-10 beds are set. Works at this level also include supervision and technical support to division hospitals and regiment medical teams. The fourth level is Dental Centre of the PLA Navy, the Air Force and the Military Commands General Hospitals. There are 25-35 dental chairs, 20-30 beds for oral and maxillofacial surgery. The dental centres are the training centres for the corresponding military commands. The highest level of the system lies in the school of Stomatology of the Fourth Military Medical University and the PLA General Hospital. Those two institutions are centres of oral health care, dental education and dental research.</p>