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Common Errors in Endodontic treatment

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Failures occur in dentistry as a result of manny factors some of which can be controlled by the operator whilst others are unavoidable. The long-term success rate of endodontic treatment has often been thought to be very high although studies reported in the literature do not support this perception. The number of failure can be reduced by adhereing to accepted treatment procedures and by avoiding 'short cut'. Endodontic disaters are usually related to operator errors and they mat have detrimental effects on the outcome of treatment in the long term, eventually becoming catastrophes. Endodontic disasters will require special techniques to salvage them whereas catastrophes usually result in loss of the tooth and every effort should be made to prevent such problems from occurring.

This presentation will cover common errors in endodontic procedures especially access opening, canal negotiation, canal irrigation, canal preparation, canal filling, post preparation.