Oral health and diabetes discussed at premier event in Singapore

The one-day event took place last month at the Swissotel The Stamford. Attended by Singapore Chief Dental Officer Patrick Yieng and Japanese Ambassador Haruhisa Takeuchi as part of the 550 celebrations, it provided the latest information from the world’s largest diabetes research and clinical care organisation dedicated to the prevention, treatment and cure of diabetes, affiliated with the Harvard Medical School, to engage in education and research to improve knowledge and practices in this field.

In addition to its symposium in Asia, it has organised an annual event under the same name in Europe. Established almost 40 years ago, the Sunstar Foundation for Oral Health Promotion has achieved international recognition for the significant benefits to society gained through its efforts to improve oral care and promote dental health through various activities.

SINGAPORE: Among developed nations, Singapore has the second-highest proportion of diabetes, according to a recent report by the International Diabetes Federation. As the condition continues to be a growing concern owing to the increasing sedentary lifestyle and high-calorie diets of Singaporeans, the city-state was the ideal place for the Joslin–Sunstar Diabetes Education Initiative (JSEI) to hold its first Diabetes, Oral Health and Nutrition symposium in Asia.

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