EFFECTS OF THE ATLASPROFILAX® THERAPY ON SYMPTOMS RELATED TO WITH TMJ DYSFUNCTION, BRUXISM AND DENTAL MIDDLE LINES RELATIONSHIP.

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INTRODUCTION

Several studies report a close relationship between the cervical spine and craniomandibular complex, both capable of being reciprocally influenced.

Altered posture of the head and neck may cause or predispose painful conditions which alter the biomechanics and muscle balance of the craniocervical region.

A forward head posture.

Flexion of the upper cervical spine (C1-C3).

accompanied with flexion of the lower cervical spine (C4-C7).

Center of gravity of the head moves and the spine supports a larger weight.
The jaw muscles are part of the muscle chain that allows the individual to remain standing with erect head.

When postural changes occur, muscle contractions at the stomatognathic system change mandibular position, who tries to adapt to the need to operate.

Mandibular deviations during opening and closing, are manifestations of inflammation or impaired balance and position of temporomandibular complex.

The may be the result of changes in head position.

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The importance of clinical examination and non-surgical treatment to control pain and dysfunction.

The limited effect the maxillo-mandibular appliances are like plates, splints, orthodontic treatment, etc. can have.

Physical therapy in association with other treatment methods may be helpful in relieving musculoskeletal pain and improve movement.

The orthodontic therapy should be addressed to achieve structural balance to facilitate physiological adaptation and rehabilitation of patients affected by TMJD.