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**EXAMINING THE ACCEPTANCE OF BEHAVIORAL CONTROL TECHNIQUES  
BY PARENTS REFERRING TO THE PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY**

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**Relevance.** For dental treatment of children who are non-cooperative, the use of behavioral control techniques is inevitable.

There are methods with which the dental team effectively and efficiently treats the child and at the same time instills a positive attitude towards dentistry.

**Aim:** the purpose of this study was to determine the acceptance of behavioural control techniques by parents referring to the Pediatric department of BSMU.

**Materials and methods.** In order to carry out this descriptive cross-sectional study, a film containing (4) behavioural control methods such as separating the child from parent, Voice control, putting hand over the child's mouth and general anesthesia was made.

Before showing each technique, a brief explanation by a Pediatric dentist about the characteristics, methods and purpose of each given technique was given.

50 mothers referring to the Pediatric dentistry Department of BSMU watched this video and after watching each technique, they filled the questionnaire that was given to them.

**Results and their discussion.** The method of separating the child from the parents was the most accepted technique, after that the order of acceptance of the Techniques was, (2) voice control, (3) placing hand over children's mouth, (4) general anaesthesia. In this study there was a statistically significant relationship between acceptance of voice control and child's rank, child's age and number of children in the family. Also between acceptance of general anaesthesia Technique by mothers and mother's education and child's rank.

**Conclusion:** according to the present study, the method of separating the child from the parents is the most acceptable technique and the general anaesthesia technique is the least acceptable technique.