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Dr. Joshipura is a Professor of Epidemiology, NIH Endowed Chair & Director, Center for Clinical Research and Health Promotion, School of Dental Medicine, University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus, and Adjunct Professor at Harvard School of Public Health and Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Joshipura has a master's degree in Biostatistics, a doctorate degree in Epidemiology and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health.

Her research has focused on assessing the impact of dental disease on systemic disease, and on evaluating dietary, inflammatory and other pathways for these associations. Her laboratory was among the first to show prospectively that tooth loss and/or periodontal disease were risk factors for coronary heart disease, ischemic stroke and peripheral artery disease. Dr. Joshipura has been the Principal Investigator of an NIH-funded project evaluating the association between periodontal disease, inflammatory biomarkers and CHD, and a co-investigator of a grant assessing the relationship between periodontal disease and adverse pregnancy outcomes. She is currently investigating the association between periodontal disease, inflammation and ischemic stroke, and peripheral vascular disease. She is also studying the association between periodontal disease and obesity and type II diabetes.

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