

Project: Investigate a Dataset - [No Show Appointments]

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Introduction

Dataset Description

Thousands of medical appointments and its associated variables (characteristics), the dataset has information about each patient and his appointment and more importantly did the patient come or not, we will discover from this dataset if a certain characteristics pre determine if the patient will come to the appointment or not

Question(s) for Analysis

Why would a patient schedule an appointment and miss it ?

Did the patient had a liability that pervented him from coming ?

What age group miss the appointment most ?

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In [1]: # importing important libararies
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```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import random
```

```
In [2]: #functions to plot attributes and to make our code DRY
def plot_relations(list_of_attributes,data):
    rows= len(list_of_attributes)
    cols=2
    appointment_status=['missed','attended']
    #setting up plot grid and colors
    fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=rows, ncols=cols, figsize=(15, 20))
    colors =['maroon','green','orangered','blue','aquamarine','goldenrod','indigo']

    #adjusting plot margins
    plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.1,bottom=0.1, right=0.9, top=0.9, wspace=0.4, hspace=0.4)

    #loop to plot graphs in a grid
    #plot over the rows
    for i in range(rows) :
        #plot over the columns
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color_for_row=random.choice(colors)
for j in range(cols):
    axes[i,j].hist(list_of_attributes[i],data = data[j],color=color_for_row)
    axes[i,j].title.set_text('%s for people who %s appointment'%(list_of_attributes[i],data[j]))
    axes[i,j].set_ylabel('COUNT')
    axes[i,j].set_xlabel('%s'%(list_of_attributes[i]))

```

Data Wrangling

The next step after defining our questions would be **Data Wrangling**, in which we will perform three main steps, first we will load the data to our workspace, then we will proceed to assing the data and making sure that the quality and structure of it is right, finally we will clean our data as we enter the explore phase

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In [3]: # Loading data and viewing it
appointments = pd.read_csv('noshowappointments.csv')
appointments.head()

```

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Out[3]:

```

	PatientId	AppointmentID	Gender	ScheduledDay	AppointmentDay	Age	Neighbourhood	Scholarship	Hipe
0	2.987250e+13	5642903	F	2016-04-29T18:38:08Z	2016-04-29T00:00:00Z	62	JARDIM DA PENHA	0	
1	5.589980e+14	5642503	M	2016-04-29T16:08:27Z	2016-04-29T00:00:00Z	56	JARDIM DA PENHA	0	
2	4.262960e+12	5642549	F	2016-04-29T16:19:04Z	2016-04-29T00:00:00Z	62	MATA DA PRAIA	0	
3	8.679510e+11	5642828	F	2016-04-29T17:29:31Z	2016-04-29T00:00:00Z	8	PONTAL DE CAMBURI	0	
4	8.841190e+12	5642494	F	2016-04-29T16:07:23Z	2016-04-29T00:00:00Z	56	JARDIM DA PENHA	0	

```

In [4]: #assesing the data quality
appointments.dtypes

```

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Out[4]:
PatientId          float64
AppointmentID      int64
Gender             object
ScheduledDay       object
AppointmentDay     object
Age               int64
Neighbourhood     object
Scholarship       int64
Hipertension      int64
Diabetes          int64
Alcoholism        int64
Handcap           int64
SMS_received      int64
No-show           object
dtype: object

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scheduled day and appointment day are objects and that need to be fixed into date type also No-show need to be boolean

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In [5]:

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```
#checking for inconsisitences
appointments.Gender.unique().sum()
#only male and female , no incorrect typos
appointments.Age.max()
#max of 115, doable
appointments['No-show'].unique().sum()
#only two answers , no incorrect typos
appointments.isna().sum()
#data has no missing values!
appointments.duplicated().sum()
#data has no duplicates
```

Out[5]: 0

so far the data seems to be okay in quality and structure and has no missing data

Data Cleaning

This is the final step in **Data wrangling** and then we will enter the explore phase , so we will make sure that our data is clean and of correct data types

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In [6]: #first we will split the appointment day and scheduled day columns into date and time
appointments['AppointmentDay'] = pd.to_datetime(appointments['AppointmentDay'])
appointments['ScheduledDay'] = pd.to_datetime(appointments['ScheduledDay'])
appointments['AppointmentDay']=appointments['AppointmentDay'].dt.date
appointments['Scheduledtime']=appointments['ScheduledDay'].dt.time
appointments['ScheduledDay']=appointments['ScheduledDay'].dt.date
#now we have three columns for date and time of scheduled and appointments
#since the appointment day has zeros in the time stamp it shouldnot be included
```

Now since the time is fixed lets check if there is inconsistencies in the time for example if the schedule date is after the appointment date

```
In [7]: #lets find some errors
appointments.query("ScheduledDay > AppointmentDay").shape
```

Out[7]: (5, 15)

we have only 5 rows with wrong data

```
In [8]: appointments.query("Age < 0").shape
```

Out[8]: (1, 15)

we have only 1 rows with wrong data

```
In [9]: index = appointments.query("ScheduledDay > AppointmentDay").index
index1 =appointments.query("Age < 0").index
dropped_index = index.append(index1)
appointments.drop(dropped_index,inplace = True)

#converting the appintments into
appointments['No_show'] = appointments['No-show'].map({'No':False,'Yes': True})
appointments.drop(['No-show'],axis = 1,inplace = True)
```

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In [10]: #converting age column into age groups for better visualizing
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appointments.loc[(appointments.Age < 2), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Infant'
appointments.loc[(appointments.Age > 2) & (appointments.Age <= 4), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Toddler'
appointments.loc[(appointments.Age > 4) & (appointments.Age <= 13), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Kid'
appointments.loc[(appointments.Age > 13) & (appointments.Age <= 21), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Teen'
appointments.loc[(appointments.Age > 21) & (appointments.Age <= 50), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Adult'
appointments.loc[(appointments.Age > 50) & (appointments.Age <= 116), 'AgeGroup'] = 'Senior'
```

In [11]: `appointments.head()`

	PatientId	AppointmentID	Gender	ScheduledDay	AppointmentDay	Age	Neighbourhood	Scholarship	Hipertension
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1	5.589980e+14	5642503	M	2016-04-29	2016-04-29	56	JARDIM DA PENHA	0	
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In [12]: `appointments.dtypes`

Out[12]:

PatientId	float64
AppointmentID	int64
Gender	object
ScheduledDay	object
AppointmentDay	object
Age	int64
Neighbourhood	object
Scholarship	int64
Hipertension	int64
Diabetes	int64
Alcoholism	int64
Handcap	int64
SMS_received	int64
Scheduledtime	object
No_show	bool
AgeGroup	object
dtype:	object

Now our data is ready for the next phase of investigation, EDA

Exploratory Data Analysis

First we will visualize the data to try and find patterns so it could help us with the analysis

First we will try and see the Correlation between missing the appointment and the rest of the data

In [13]: `appointments.corr()`

	PatientId	AppointmentID	Age	Scholarship	Hipertension	Diabetes	Alcoholism	Handcap	No_show
PatientId	1.000000	0.004019	-0.004192	-0.002873	-0.006431	0.001612	0.011016	-0.007855	-0.000000

	PatientId	AppointmentID	Age	Scholarship	Hipertension	Diabetes	Alcoholism	Handcap	
AppointmentID	0.004019	1.000000	-0.019109	0.022620	0.012760	0.022633	0.032947	0.014077	
Age	-0.004192	-0.019109	1.000000	-0.092469	0.504599	0.292398	0.095811	0.078101	
Scholarship	-0.002873	0.022620	-0.092469	1.000000	-0.019738	-0.024899	0.035019	-0.008555	
Hipertension	-0.006431	0.012760	0.504599	-0.019738	1.000000	0.433082	0.087967	0.080162	
Diabetes	0.001612	0.022633	0.292398	-0.024899	0.433082	1.000000	0.018471	0.057578	
Alcoholism	0.011016	0.032947	0.095811	0.035019	0.087967	0.018471	1.000000	0.004668	
Handcap	-0.007855	0.014077	0.078101	-0.008555	0.080162	0.057578	0.004668	1.000000	
SMS_received	-0.009735	-0.256614	0.012629	0.001182	-0.006285	-0.014561	-0.026154	-0.024097	
No_show	-0.001477	-0.162619	-0.060320	0.029166	-0.035662	-0.015158	-0.000181	-0.006290	

We found that there is no relation between our target and our attributes . however, correlation only happen when there is a linear relationship so let us examine further

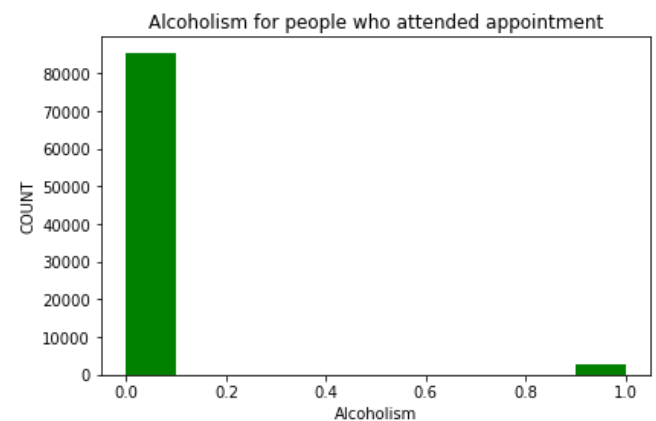
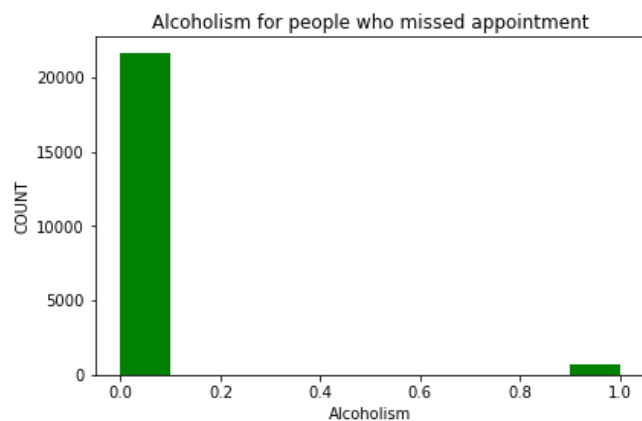
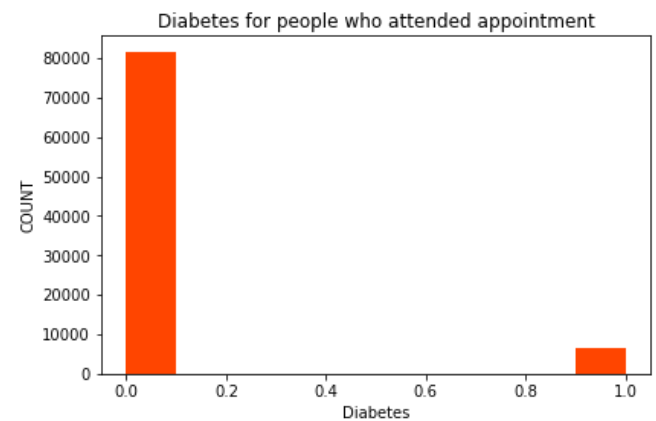
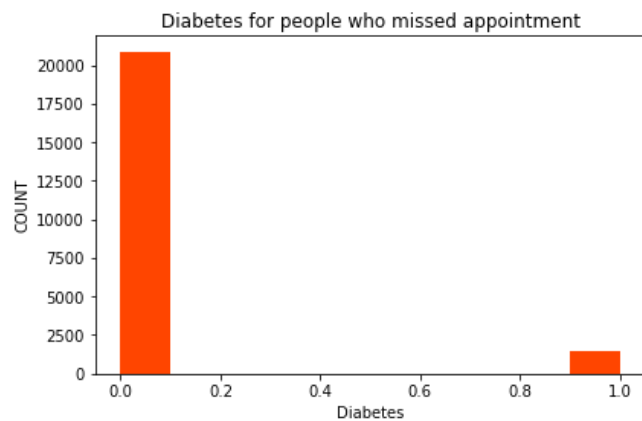
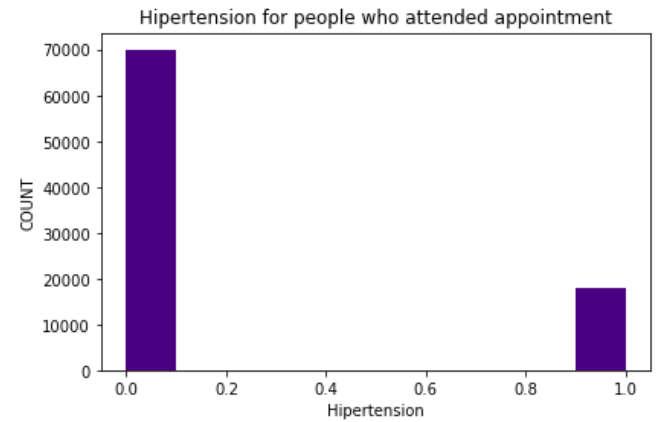
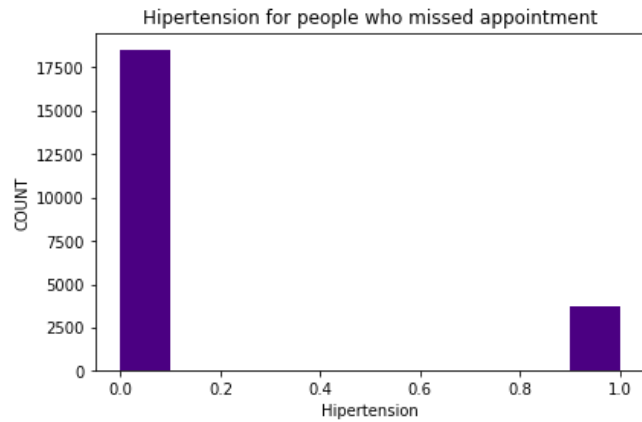
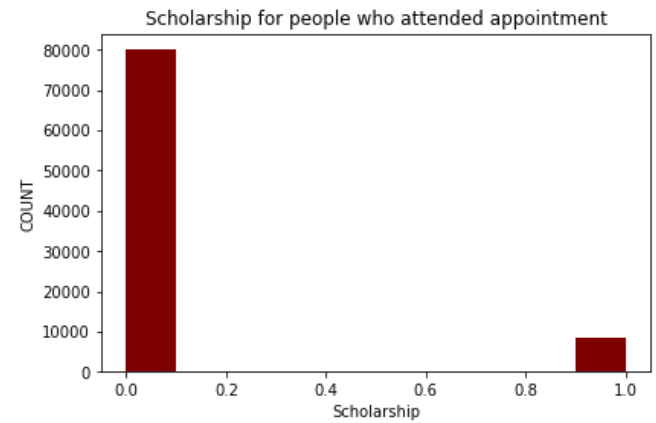
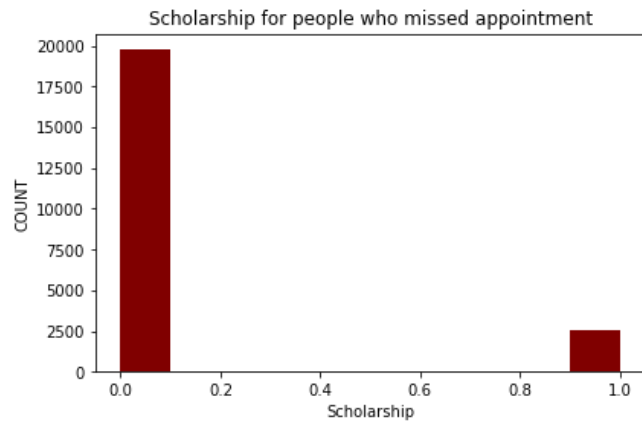
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In [14]: #lets seprate the data by showing for the appointments
yes_data = appointments[appointments.No_show==False]#who attended the appointment
no_data = appointments[appointments.No_show==True]#who skipped the appointment
combined_data = [no_data,yes_data]
```

Univariate analysis

we will examine how each categorical attribute affect the showing up to the appointment

we have decided to split our attributes into two parts in order to avoid overwhelming the viewer with a lot of data visualization at once

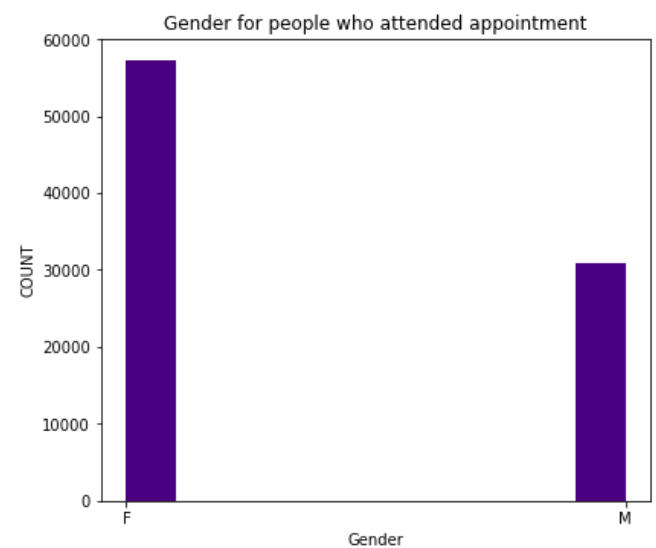
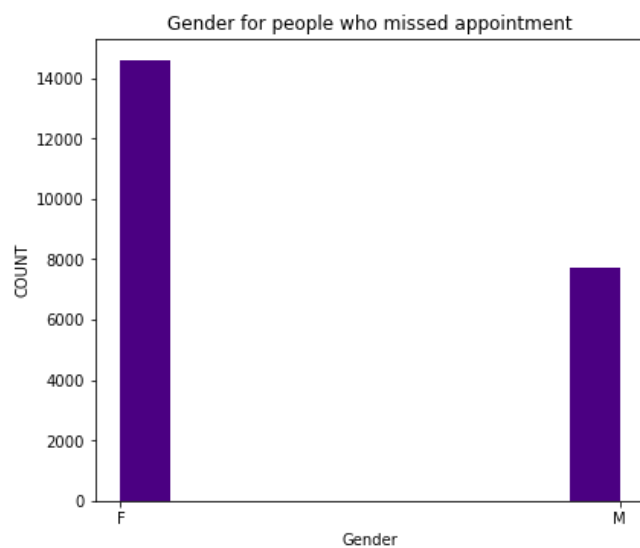
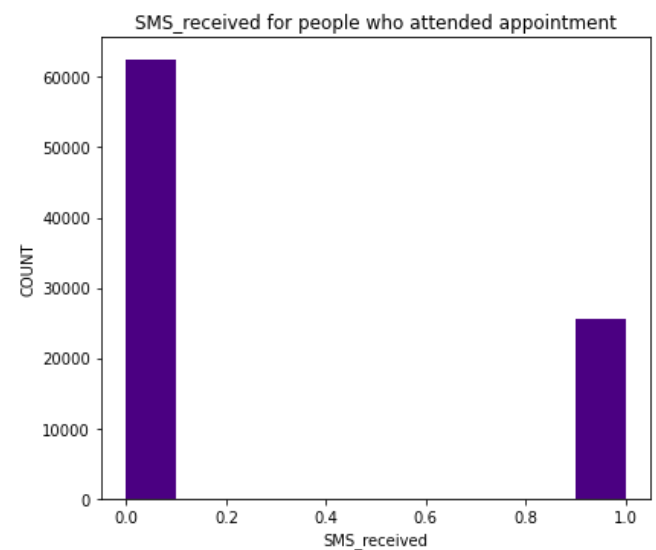
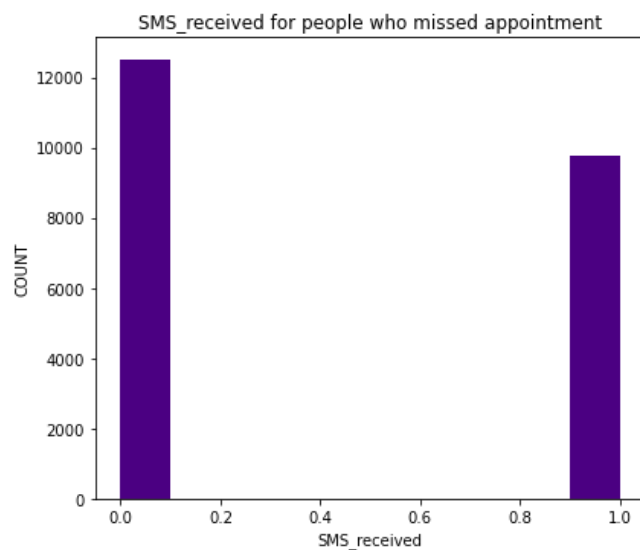
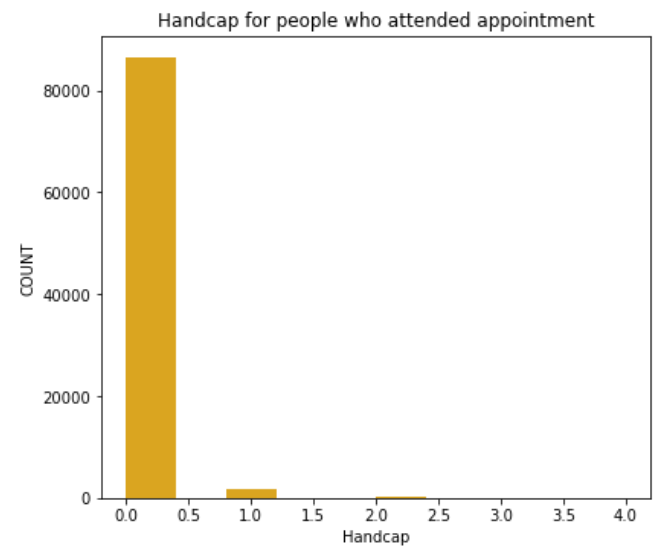
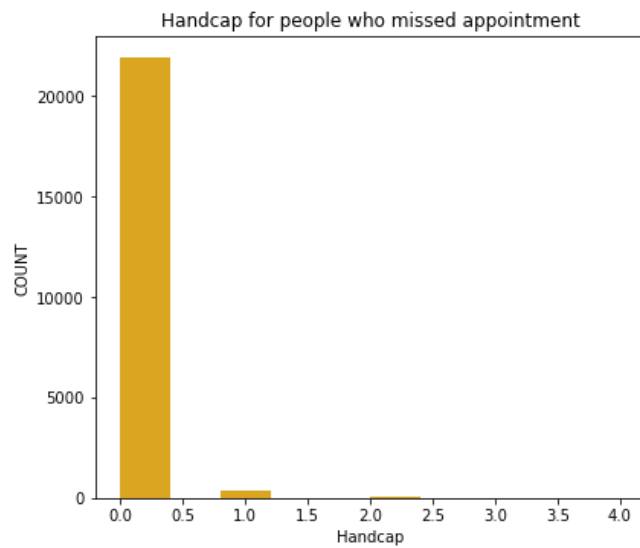
```
In [15]: #we will start by scholarship, Hipertension, Diabetes and Alcholism
attributes =['Scholarship','Hipertension','Diabetes','Alcoholism']
plot_relations(attributes,combined_data)
```



From these four plots we learn that : Having scholarship, Hipertension, Diabetes or Alcholism will not affect whether a patient will attend or skip the appointment

In [23]:

```
#next we will examine Handcap, SMS_recieved and Gender
attributes=['Handcap', 'SMS_received', 'Gender']
plot_relations(attributes, combined_data)
```



From these three plots we learn that : Having a handicap or being a male or a female does not affect whether a patient will attend or skip the appointment but SMS messages seem to have an effect we can obviously see that nearly 43% of patients who missed their appointments recieved an SMS comparing to 30% of patients who

attended the appointment, this actually is predictable since there was a small correlation between the SMS and patients missing their appointments

In [26]:

```
#finally our age group
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(10, 5))
yes_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
no_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)

sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup', data = no_data, ax=axes[0])
axes[0].title.set_text('Age group for people who missed appointment')
axes[0].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[0].set_xlabel('Age_group')
sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup', data = yes_data, ax=axes[1])
axes[1].title.set_text('Age group for people who attended appointment')
axes[1].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[1].set_xlabel('Age_group')
plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.1, bottom=0.1, right=0.9, top=0.9, wspace=0.4, hspace=0.4)
```

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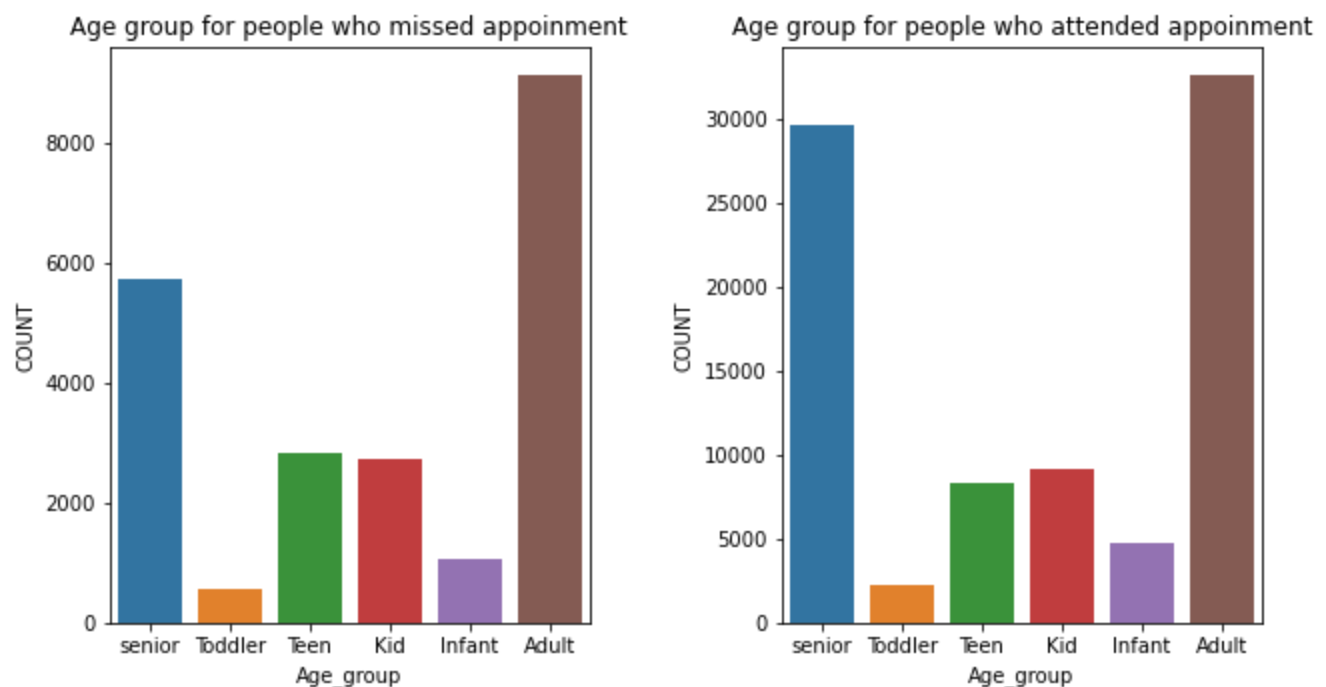
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yes_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
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```
no_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
```



we can see that seniors have a less chance of skipping the appointments while teens tend slightly to skip their appointments

Why would a patient schedule an appointment and miss it ?

In [25]:

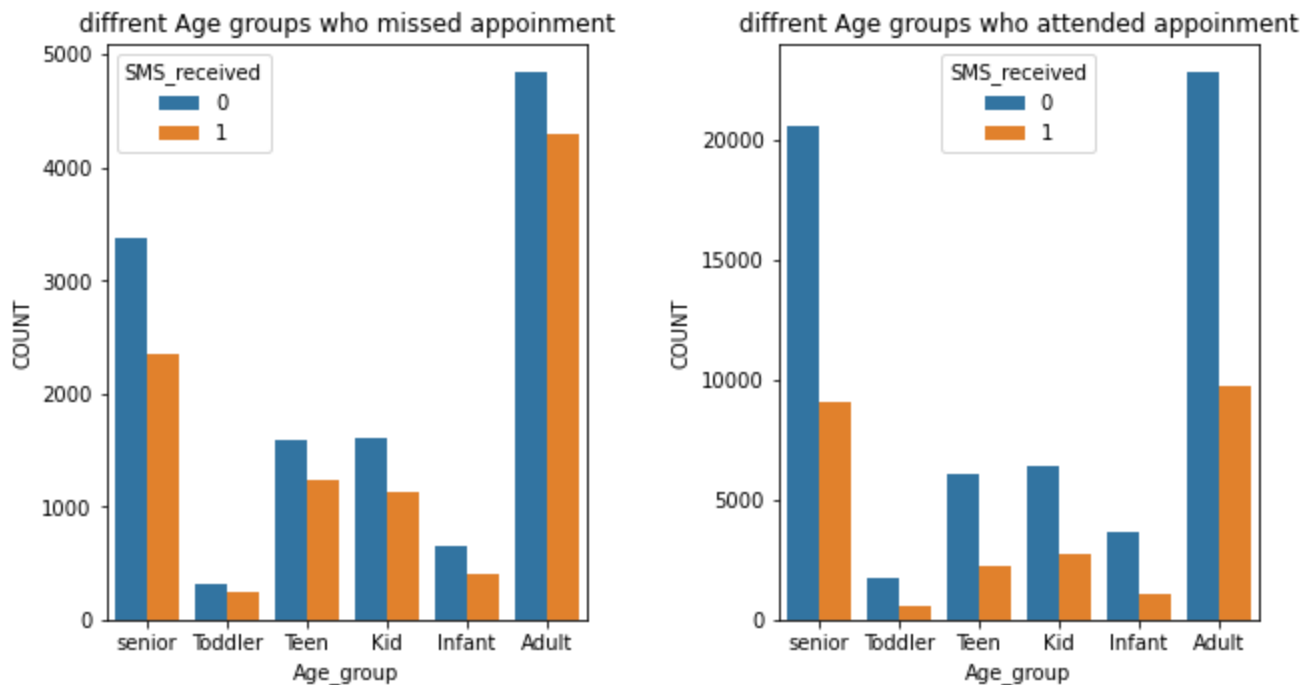
```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(10, 5))
sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup', data=no_data, hue='SMS_received', ax=axes[0])
axes[0].title.set_text('different Age groups who missed appointment')
axes[0].set_ylabel('COUNT')
```



```

axes[0].set_xlabel('Age_group')
sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup',data =yes_data,hue ='SMS_received',ax = axes[1])
axes[1].title.set_text('diffrent Age groups who attended appointment')
axes[1].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[1].set_xlabel('Age_group')
plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.1,bottom=0.1, right=0.9, top=0.9, wspace=0.4, hspace=0.4)

```



we notice that in case of missed appointments patients get sms reminders, and in case of adult patient there is a 50% increase in the amount of sent texts, that drives us to a **conclusion** and maybe the answer to our first quention, **patients intentionally skipped the appointment** maybe because they felt better we might need more data to verify this

Did the patient had a liabilty that pervented him from coming ?

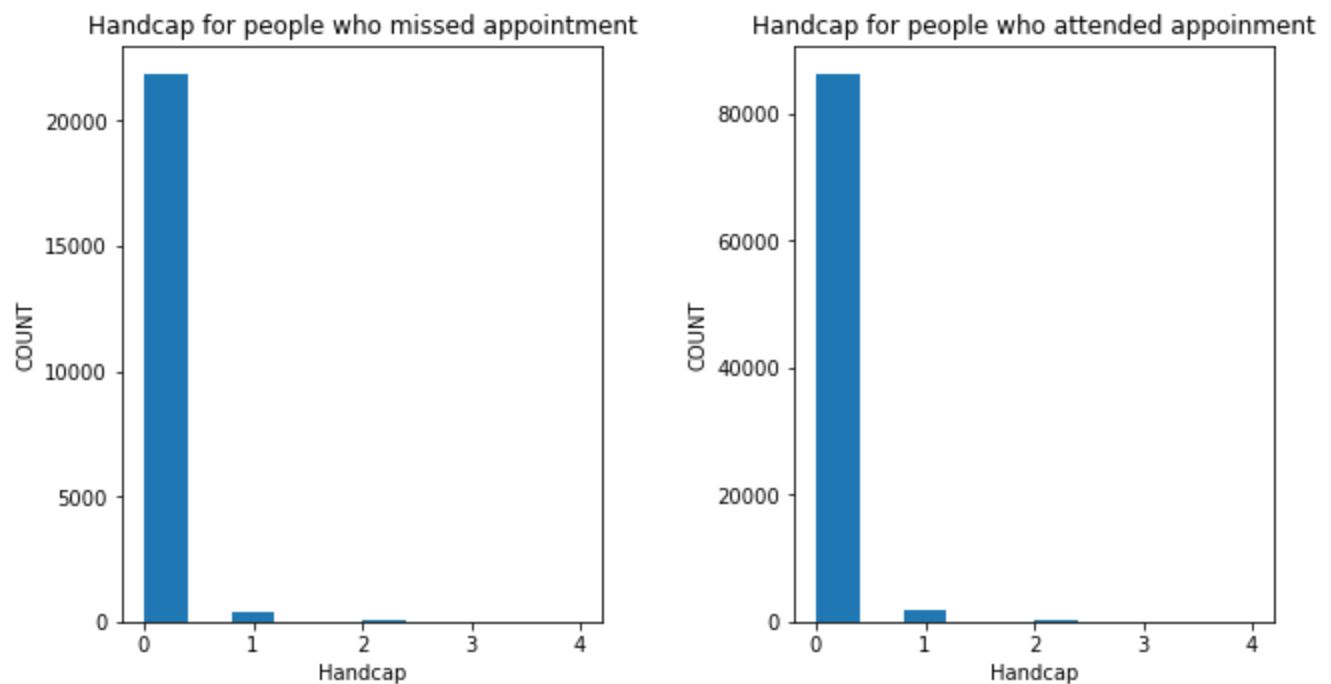
In [19]:

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fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(10, 5))
axes[0].hist('Handcap',data = no_data )
axes[0].title.set_text('Handcap for people who missed appointment')
axes[0].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[0].set_xlabel('Handcap')
axes[1].hist('Handcap',data = yes_data)
axes[1].title.set_text('Handcap for people who attended appointment')
axes[1].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[1].set_xlabel('Handcap')

plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.1,bottom=0.1, right=0.9, top=0.9, wspace=0.4, hspace=0.4)

```



As we can see there being a handicap does not influence a patient to skip his/her appointments the same result we get with Hipertension, Diabetes and Alcoholism, there is no indications that having a liability will make you tend to skip your appointments

What age group miss the appointment most ?

In [20]:

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(10, 5))
yes_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
no_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)

sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup', data = no_data, ax=axes[0])
axes[0].title.set_text('Age group for people who missed appointment')
axes[0].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[0].set_xlabel('Age_group')
sns.countplot(x='AgeGroup', data = yes_data, ax=axes[1])
axes[1].title.set_text('Age group for people who attended appointment')
axes[1].set_ylabel('COUNT')
axes[1].set_xlabel('Age_group')
plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.1, bottom=0.1, right=0.9, top=0.9, wspace=0.4, hspace=0.4)
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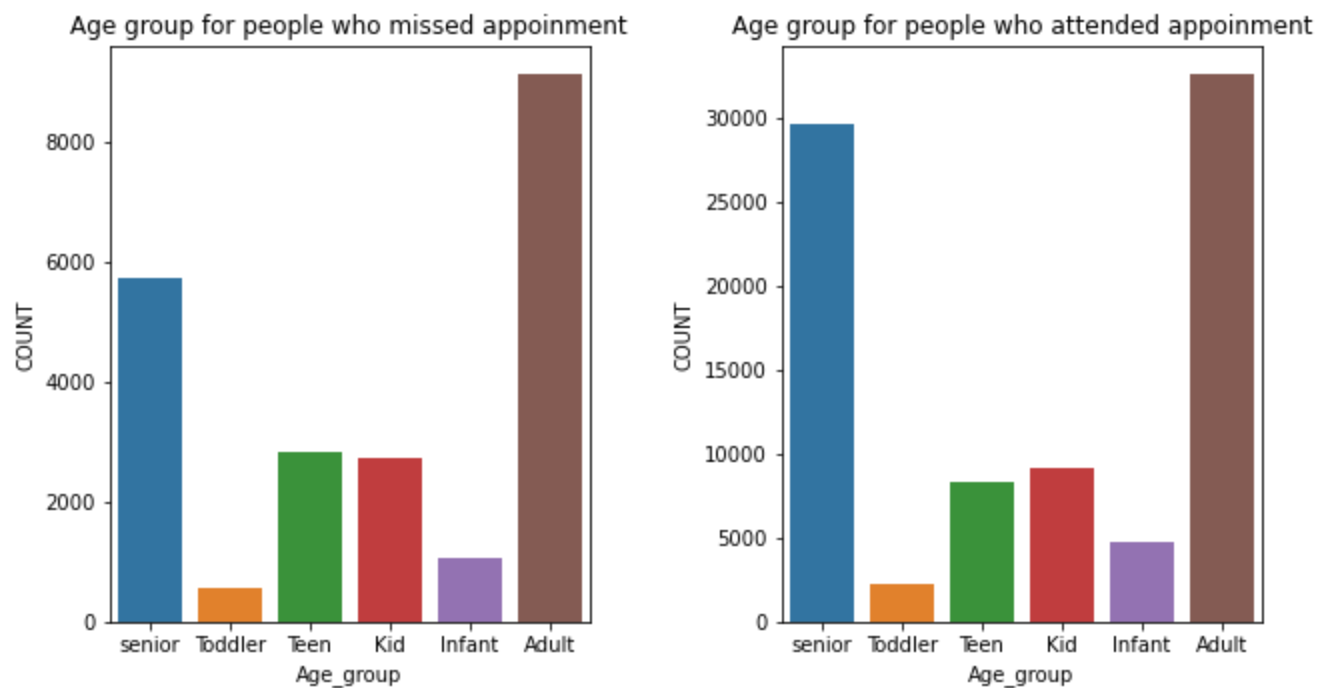
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```
yes_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
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```
no_data.sort_values(by='AgeGroup', ascending=False, inplace = True)
```



Adults are the most to miss their appointments but this is due to their high number in the data, comparing ratios and we see that seniors are more serious about attending their appointments while the teen group tend to skip their appointments more so that makes **Teens age group miss their appointments the most**

Conclusions

So to sum up, teens are the most group with appointments missed and that is a confirmation to a previous question in which we found that having a liability of some sort does not affect your decision to skip the meeting since most of teens are still in good shape, also we found out that skipping an appointment is the patient decision

Limitations

So far we know that skipping an appointment is the patient decision but we do not know what is driving this decision or what is the main reason that a patient decided not to go to the appointment, did he/she feel better and thought that this will be a waste of money?, did he/she had an emergency that day?, did he/she has a close friend who had the same symptoms and described their medicine for them?, what ever is the reason we simply do not have enough data to know it.