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MEDICAL TOURISM AND HEALTHCARE INSTITUTIONS: CONTENT ANALYSIS OF CORPORATE VIDEOS

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The use of information and communication technologies for healthcare is rapidly increasing. The digitalization of the communication channels enforces healthcare institutions to manage them effectively.

Aim: The aim of the study was to assess the corporate videos of healthcare institutions providing medical tourism.

Method: The content analysis of corporate videos of seventeen healthcare institutions in Turkey was carried out in the study.

Results: Medical services (100%) and accreditation status (52.9%) were commonly seen among videos of healthcare institutions In contrast, treatment cost was not mentioned in videos (0%). Moreover, information about follow-up of patients was given 5.9% of them.

Discussion: The use of information and communication technologies in medical tourism is an important tool to contact with target patient groups. In the present study, it was determined that the content of the videos was not standardized although the effective use of these tools was of great importance for healthcare institutions.

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