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## MARKETING REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

It's the art of identifying the patients' needs and then understanding the regenerative treatment solutions and genuinely communicating these solutions through strategic marketing activities.

### **ABOUT ME**

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**KAHO'S TIPS** 

# FIRST THINGS Be clear of priorities on them.

Be clear about your priorities before acting on them.

- You need to **BELIVE** in the science
  - Just like any service you offer you need to believe these treatment options will provide your patients positive outcomes
- UNDERSTAND the regenerative medicine industry and your part in it
  - This is cutting edge medicine with new developments being made daily. Before you begin marketing regenerative medicine, know what treatments you'll be offering and how they'll fit into your practice.
- CREATE a plan
  - Your success starts with a well thought out plan. You're plan should consist of 3 things:
    - 1. Who?— Who will you assign the responsibility of implementing your marketing strategies?
    - 2. What? What marketing strategies will you use?
    - 3. How Much? Define a budget. Stick to it. Track dollars spent to results.

# WHAT ABOUT THE REST?

Why? When? Where?

### **CREATE** a plan (continued)

- Why? Why are you marketing regenerative medicine?
  - You are wanting to grow your patient base for regenerative medicine
  - Provide another great viable option to your patients
- When? When should I begin marketing?
  - Once you've got systems in place
  - After you've educated your staff on the regenerative treatment options you're offering
- Where? Where should I begin marketing?
  - ONLINE!!



## WHY MARKETING ONLINE IS THE BEST PLACE TO START

If these stats don't convince you, I don't know what will

81% of patients consider a practice with an active online presence to be more "cutting-edge"

55% of medical searches are about a specific disease/condition, 43% are related to medical treatments

80% of all internet users search online for healthcare topics

90% of people are 18-24 said they would trust health information they found on social media

**8 million** Americans are **looking for medical information** on the internet every single day



### **ONLINE MARKETING STRATEGIES**

### Here's how you get found

- Search Engine Optimization (SEO)
  - SEO: The process of maximizing the number of visitors to your website by ensuring that the site appears high on the list of results returned by a search engine.

### • WHAT SEARCH ENGINGES FIND VALUABLE

- Amount of **TIME** a visitor spends on your website
- Number of web **PAGES** visited per session
- New **VISITORS** to your website
- The number and quality of **INBOUND** links
- Website structure
  - EASY TO NAVIGATE
  - LOADING SPEED
  - MOBILE FRIENDLY
  - RELEVANT CNTENT...



### **ONLINE MARKETING STRATEGIES**

### Here's how you get found

• Search Engine Optimization (SEO) (continued)

### ...CONTENT

- \$ Be sure your website has valuable information (content) about the services you want to be found online for.
  - KT: Full page of content for the treatment you want to promote.
    - More content on a particular service is viewed as more relevant to a person's online search query and so search engines will push your website to, if not on, the first page of search results.
- \$\$\$ There are several strategies to get your website on the first page of search engines. To increase your website ranking, consider partnering with a marketing company who can do the technical work for you.



### **ONLINE MARKETING STRATEGIES**

### Here's how you get found (continued)

- Pay Per Click Advertising (PCC)
  - PPC: Internet advertising model used to direct traffic to your websites, in which you pay a publisher (Google, Bing, Yahoo) when the ad is clicked.
    - Search Engine Marketing (SEM): These are ads that look like a search result and is placed on search engine results
    - Display Ads: These are banner ads that appear on other websites
  - \$\$ This is an effective way to promote your website and services immediately.
    - KT: Because of the complexity, it's best to partner with a marketing company who can build out this strategy, track the results, and adjust PPC campaigns accordingly



## MAKE YOUR WEBSITE YOUR WORK FOR YOU, NOT AGAINST YOU

Store windows are like landing pages on the website. - Angela Ahrendts

Online advertising will be a waste of time and money if you're website is ineffective.

### DON'T's

- DON'T confuse website visitors with too much information
- DON'T let a website visitor leave without asking them to take action
- DON'T lose their attention them with too much text on one single page.
  - Limit paragraphs to 3-5 sentences max.

good website example: www.wellnessonememphis.com

### **DOs**

- DO use effective images and videos to better explain your services.
  - Show a testimonial video promoting a specific treatment
- DO build your website on a easy-to-use platform
  - This allows you to make updates quickly and easily.
- DO update your website frequently great content

## SOCIAL MEDIA

5 Simple ways social media can compliment your website and practice.

- 1. It gives your business/practice personality
  - You can share the things that are important to you. We live in a day and age where consumers not only care about the quality of a product or service, but what the business stands for.
- 2. Encourages engagement
  - Social media platforms have free chat and messaging systems that allow patients to communicate with your office.
- 3. It's simple to use
  - KT: Tips on creating a strong social media presence
    - Post regularly. 2x a month is sufficient enough for a healthcare practice. USE VIDEOS
    - Engage with your followers. Ask questions, reply to comments, etc.
- 4. Advertising on Social Media can be pretty cost effective
  - Whether you're spending \$100 a month or \$1000 a month you can promote your practice and treatments.
- 5. You grow your presence online
  - The more places you are online the easier it is for someone to find you.



### PRINT MEDIA

There's still value in great print advertising via through traditional channels



### INTERNAL PRINT MARKETING

• Have brochures and other forms of print material about these services in your reception area.

#### DIRECT MAILERS' – Postcards

- Use oversized postcard mailers with the length at or over 8in. This prevents it from getting lost with other junk mail.
- Have a clear call to action and better yet offer them something of value. With regenerative medicine being cash pay you can do discounts, specials offers, free consultations, etc.

#### **NEWSPAPER**

• Size – Quarter Page Ads (or larger), Color, run on Sunday. Place your ad the section that makes most sense for your particular audience.

KT: Use a tracking number for every advertising channel

# FDA REGULATIONS

Be clear about the treatments you provide and what the possible outcomes are

Our overall goal is patient care

FDA releases a guidance in November 2017

Regulatory Considerations for Human Cells, Tissues, and Cellular and Tissue Based Products: Minimal Manipulation and Homologous Use

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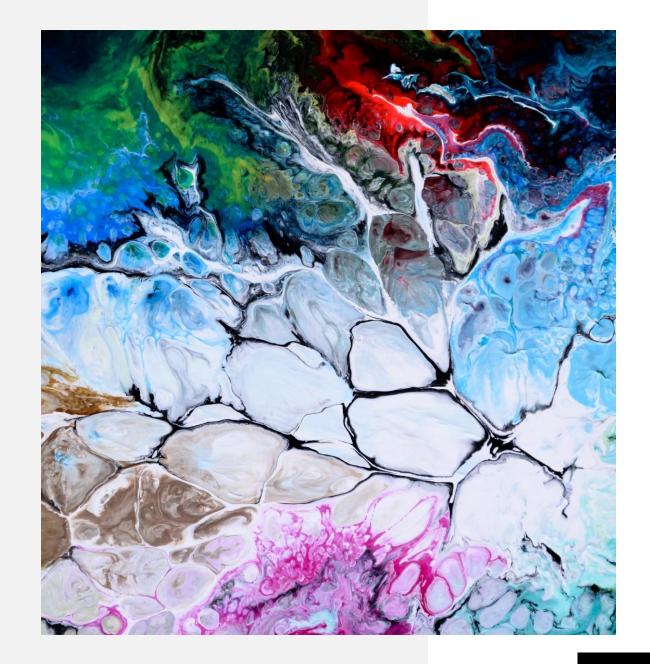
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### **TIPS** ON MARKETING:

- **Don't overpromise** what the treatment can do for a patient
- Refrain (be cautious) from using words such as heal and cure
- **Be upfront** about this in your marketing

### **KT: TAKE AWAYS**

- Determine a **BUDGET**
- **DEVELOP** a plan and strategy
- WORK on optimizing your website
- Get **SOCIAL**
- Incorporate **PRINT** material
- Don't **OVERPROMISE**



### **THANK YOU**

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