Why Marketing Investment is Imperative for Healthcare Organizations



81%
of consumers are
UNSATISFIED
with their healthcare
EXPERIENCE¹



Hospitals are dealing with consumers who are remarkably smart, **demanding transparency** and two-way communication from their healthcare providers.²



-Becker's Hospital Review



Millennials

43 percent are likely to switch practices in the next few years **54 percent** have already made a switch in the past two to three years

Generation X

44 percent are likely to switch primary care physicians in the next three years

Baby Boomers

20 percent are likely to switch physicians in the next three years



Consumers are now starting to weigh their healthcare options in much the same way as they do when buying a car or investing for retirement.³

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\$30 BILLION per year on MARKETING⁴

\$10 spent on direct-to-consumer
BILLION MARKETING⁴

41%
HEALTHCARE
MARKETERS

say their most pressing issue is developing more personalization and one-on-one marketing⁵

to 2016

The number of DTC awareness campaigns—unbranded advertising promoting a disease without mentioning the drug or indication—increased from 44 to 401 and spending increased from

\$177 MILLION \$430

\$542 \$2.9 BILLION

For health services, spending on marketing increased faster than corresponding total U.S. spending. **Marketing spending increased by 430 percent.**⁴



By actively engaging healthcare consumers, your hospital or health system can build trusted relationships so patients stay invested in their care, have positive experiences and remain loyal to your organization. This loyalty can help improve brand recognition, which allows you to increase your market share and drive revenue. Indeed, U.S. hospitals that provide a superior patient experience generate 50 percent higher financial performance than average providers.³

In competitive markets (HHI below 1,000), hospital advertising predicted HCAHPS global measures. A 1 percent increase in advertising was associated with a 1.173 percent increase in patients rating the hospital a "9" or "10" on the HCAHPS survey and a 1.540 percent increase in patients who "definitely" would recommend the hospital.⁶

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