

Proportion of Patient's Relatives with Sufficient Knowledge in Recording Policy of Srinagarind Hospital

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Background and Objective : Easily access to photographic devices and social media has also come to take a critical role in spreading all kinds of information. Recently, sharing and posting medical photography has widely caused a major impact to Thai medical profession leading to a question of ethical and legal limitations. This study aimed to study the proportion of patient's relatives with sufficient knowledge in recording policy of Srinagarind hospital

Method : This was a descriptive study at faculty of Medicine, Khon Kaen university. A total of 767 IPD-patient's relatives in the day of data collection were sampled into 153 people by cluster sampling method. Self-administered questionnaires were used and frequency, proportion, mean, median, interquartile range and 95% confidential interval were analyzed by SPSS/PC program version 17.

Results : The response rate was 74.4%. The proportion of patient's relatives with sufficient knowledge

in recording policy of Srinagarind hospital was 74.4% (95%CI 63.2,83.2) . Proportion of patient's relatives answering correctly in all crucial points was 27.5% .The top three reasons of recording in such events were to share pictures with other relatives and friends (54.2%) , to use as the evidences in lawsuit (24.3%) and to share on social media (22.2%) . The three best ways to publicize the knowledge were through billboards (66.7%) , being told verbally (48.0%) and public announcement (15.3%).

Conclusion : three-fourth of patient's relatives had sufficient knowledge in recording policy but only one-fourth passed all crucial points. The recording reasons were to share with other relatives and keep as evidences in lawsuits

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