

# Top 5 Hospital Marketing Tactics for 2022

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#### Hospital Marketers Have Been Whipsawed By The Global Pandemic



#### Tactics To Manage Reputations And Grow Revenue



#### 1: Leverage Social Media



Ongoing conversations about the full array of conditions and diseases takes place every day on social media.

How can your hospital stand out?



#### But Social Media Helps Create A More Personal Approach



81%

of consumers see a strong social media presence as an indication that a hospital offers cutting-edge technologies.

57%

of consumers said that a hospital's social media presence would strongly influence their choice

Source: Social Media and Health Care Professionals: Benefits, Risks, and Best Practices

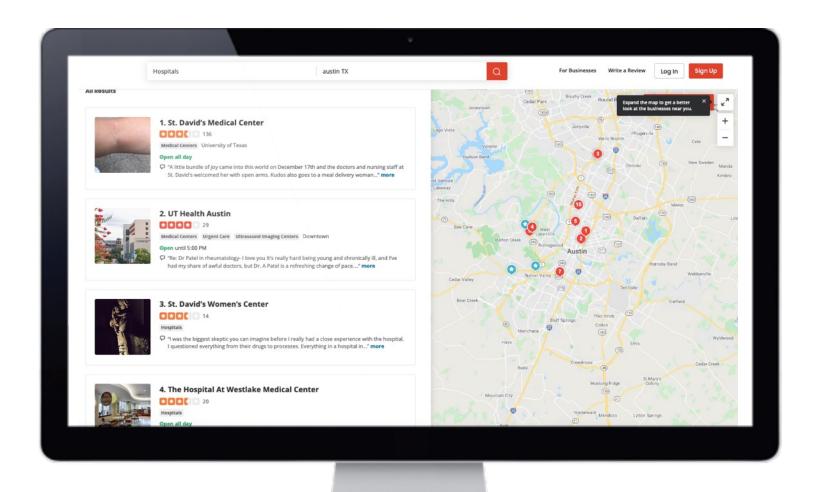


#### Research & Benchmark Your Social Programs



#### Where to start?

- 99% of hospitals have a Yelp page
- 94.41% of hospitals have a Facebook page
- 50.82% have a Twitter account
  - Journal of Medical Internet Research

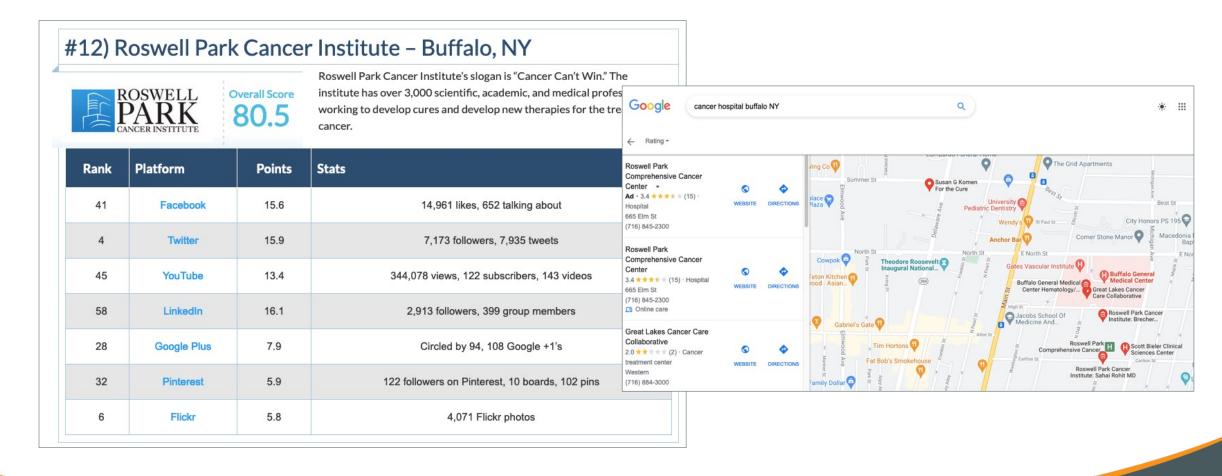




#### Social Media Can Help Outflank Competitors



Roswell Park Cancer Center is one of many cancer care centers in Buffalo, NY – but it's in the top 12 nationally for social media excellence, raising its profile among potential patients



#### **Timing And Frequency Count**





The top five hospitals publish twice as frequently as their competitors



#### Twitter:

- Most tweet an average of three times per day
- The best-performing hospital Twitter accounts often post much more (7+)
- They are active on Twitter chats and seasonal hashtags like #HeartMonth





Facebook/Instagram: They post on average 2x per day

- High performers publish during more hours/days.
- Ex: NY Presbyterian
   pushes out content
   from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., 7
   days a week



Prioritize storytelling that is photo- and video-driven



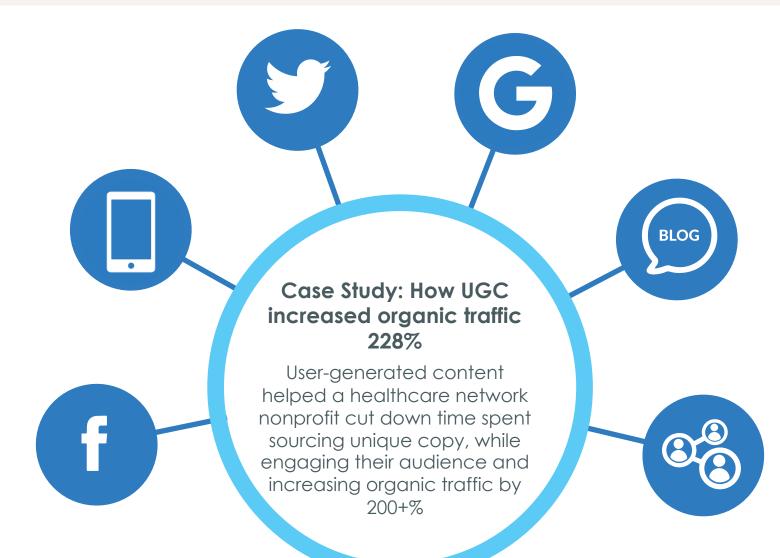
Users spent an average of 21.5 hours on TikTok per month, 325% more than last year

Source: Convinceandconvert:Social Media Lessons from the Best American Hospitals



#### **Actively Monitor And Curate User Generated Content**



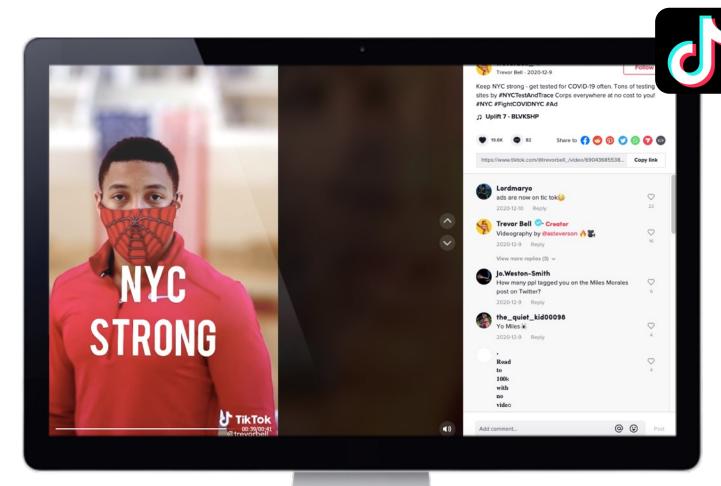


Source: CaringBridge



#### Understand The Audiences And Nuances Of Each Platform





New York City's hospital network used TikTok to reach young people with its Test and Trace COVID campaign.

Trevor Bell, one of the campaign's "uniquely NY" influencers, who shared a post with his 3.5 million followers with hashtag #NYCTestAndTrace

Source: AdAge



#### Create Targeted, Relevant Content Highlighting Key Service Lines





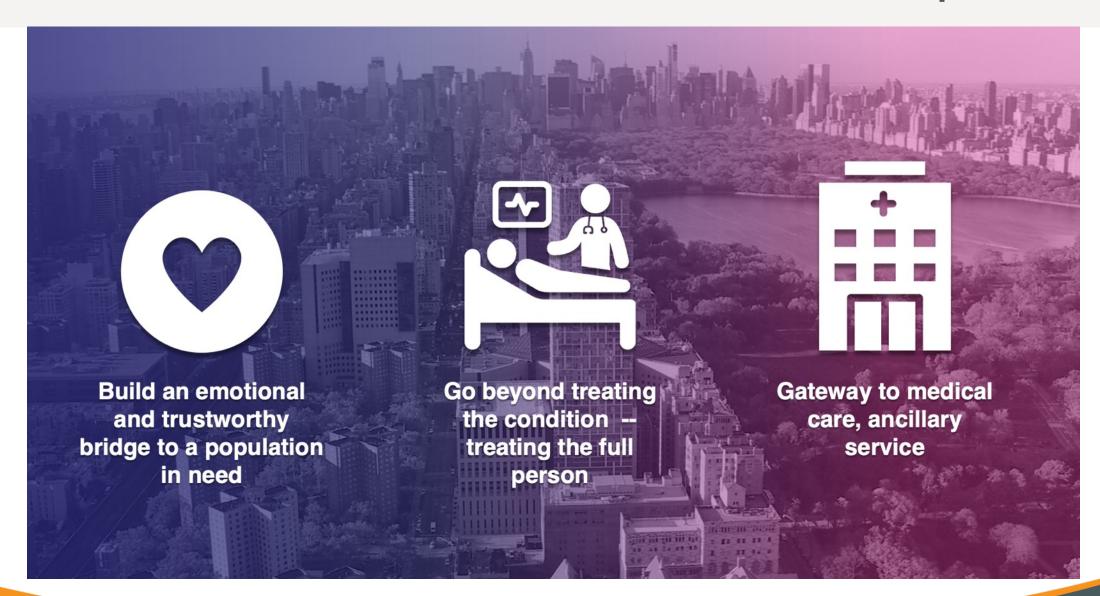
- 30% percent of hospital visits by patients 25-34 years old were maternity-related
- Cleveland Clinic helped to demystify the booster shot for pregnant people

Sources: Healthcare IT News, Facebook



#### Benefits of Online Healthcare Communities for Hospitals

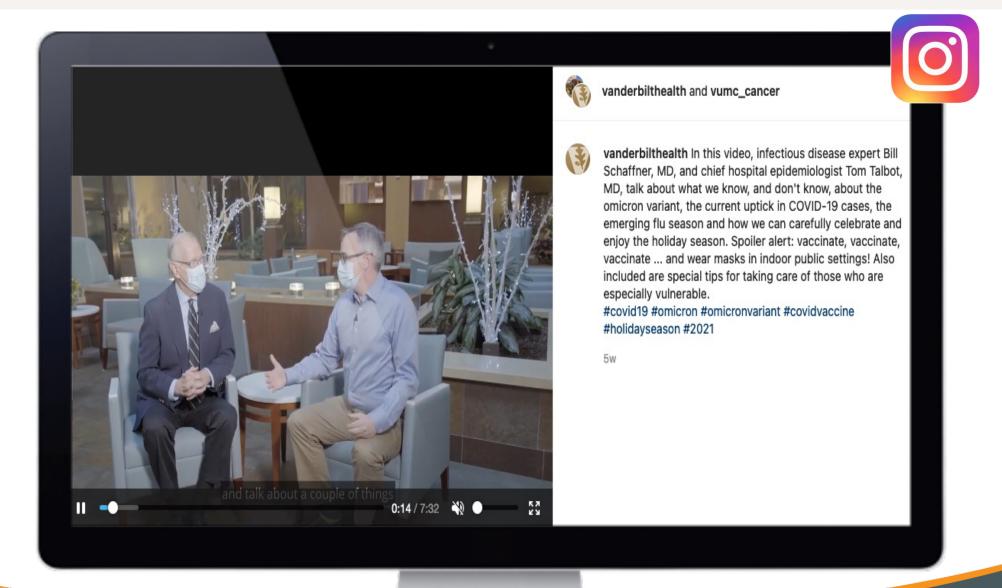






#### **Showcase Your Medical Talent To Enhance Credibility**





#### 2: Build Sustaining Relationships

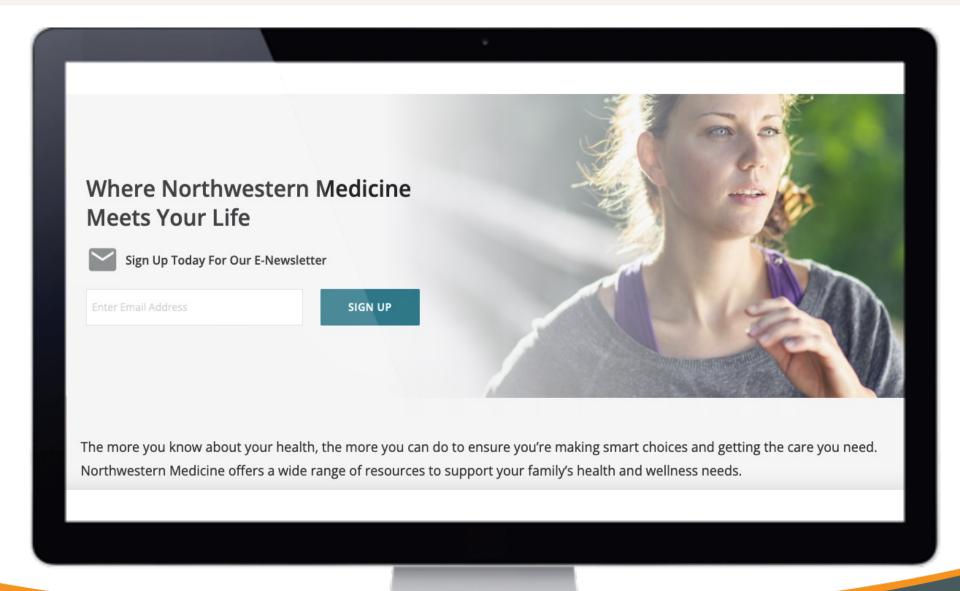


Classically, patients and caregivers have a transactional relationship to hospitals, but now that relationship has changed and is 24/7 always-on via earned, paid, and owned channels...



#### Position As The Go-to Resource In Your Marketplace





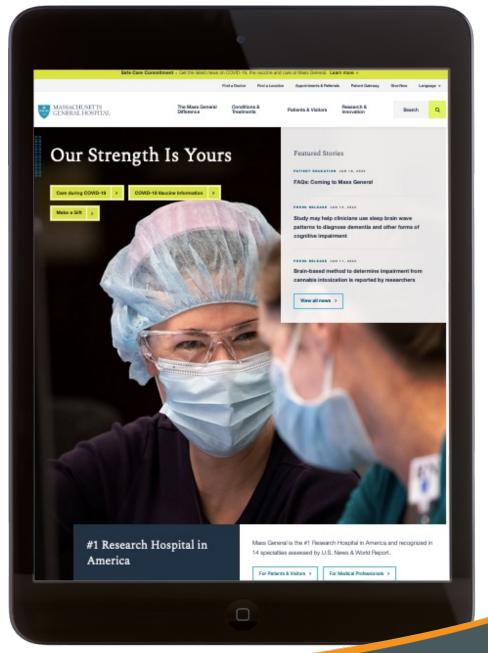


## Demonstrate Why You're A Trusted Provider

"We had no doubt we'd be in good hands at this institution."

Massachusetts General helps build trust with:

- Language cues
- Latest relevant news
- Find a Doctor tab AND Find a Researcher
- Four language choices
- Top hospital ranking



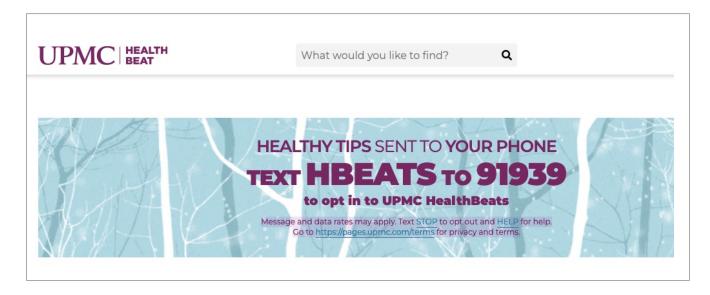


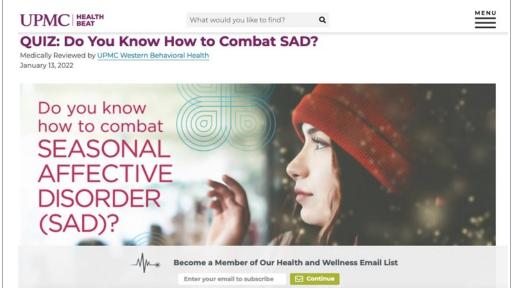


#### **Build Online And Offline Outreach Programs**



Engage prospective patients proactively with educational and entertaining content.



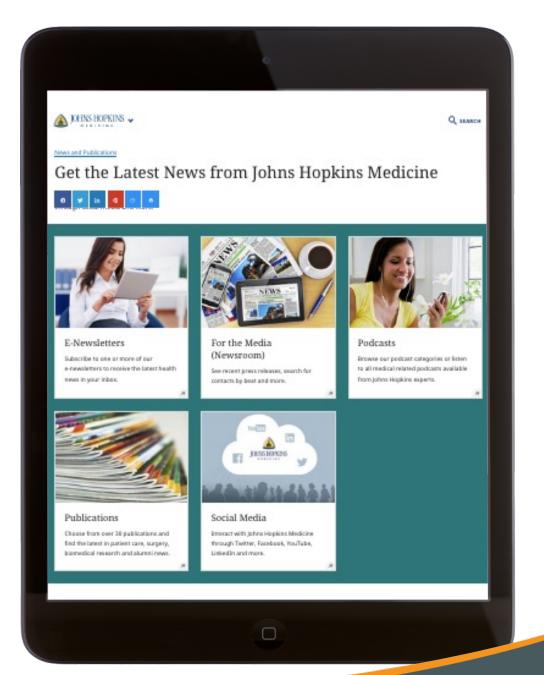




# Consider Multiple Ways To Create Ongoing Relationships

#### A 360 approach:

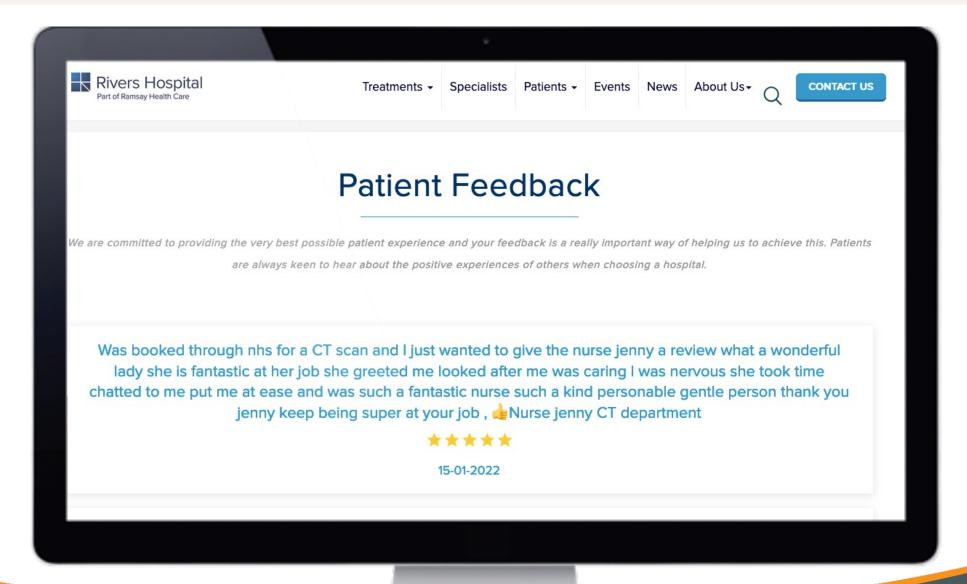
- Newsletters
- CRM tactics
- MyChart messaging
- Online communities





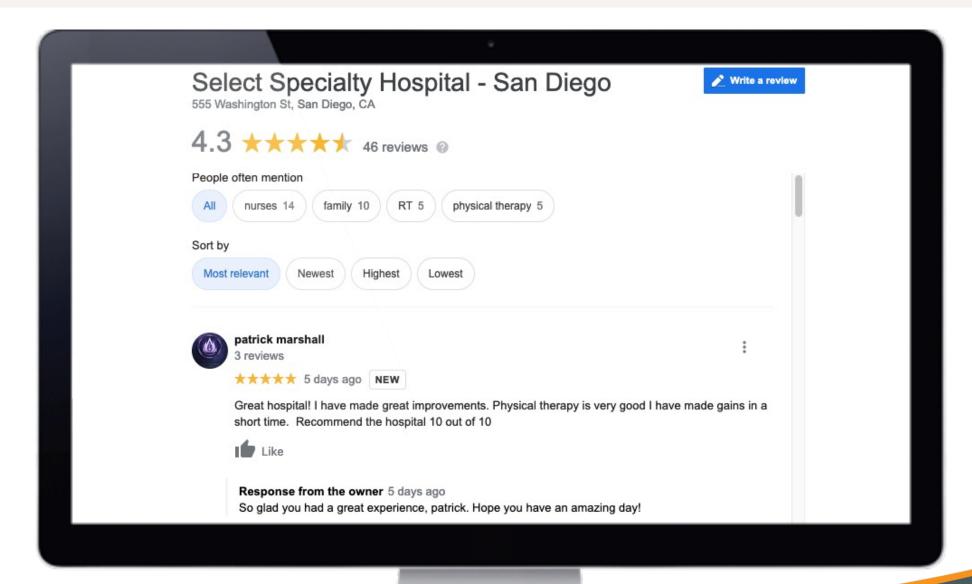
#### Ask Satisfied Patients To Share Their Experiences





#### **Content Moderation Matters**





#### 3: Become Your Consumer



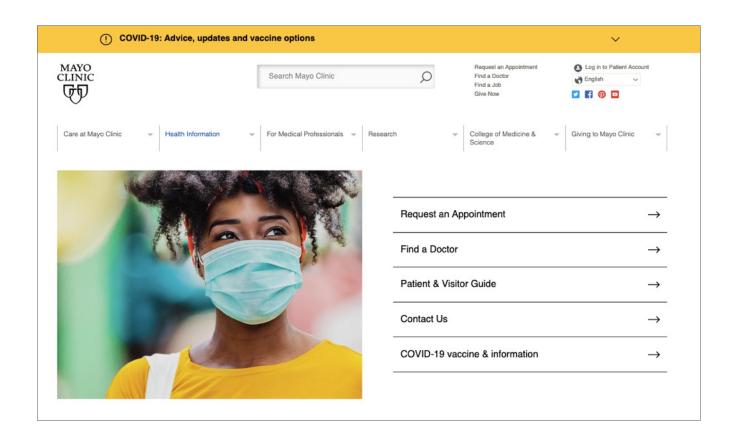


# Invest In Building A Welcoming And Frictionless Customer Experience In As Few Clicks As Possible



#### Patient first philosophy includes:

- Clean "flat" design
- Easy to navigate
- Large and ADA compliant text and call-to-action buttons
- Scroll down options to popular topics (e.g., Covid information, symptom checker)

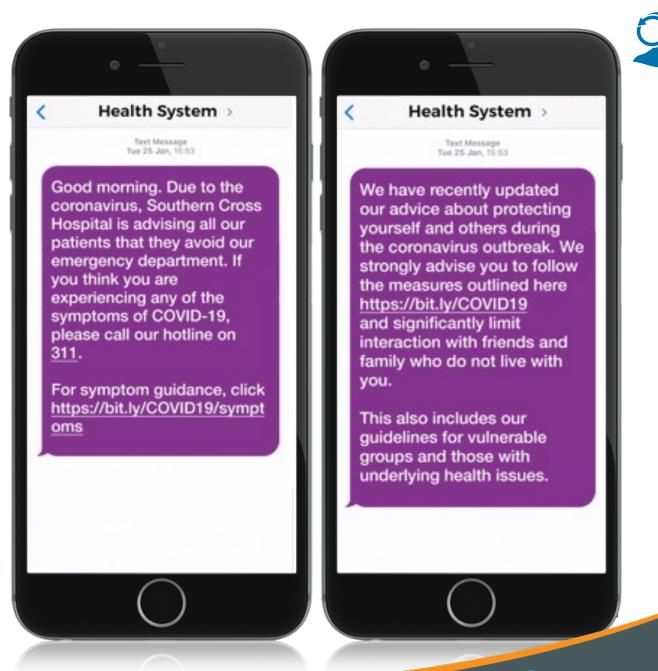


Source: WebToMed



# Position Your Organization As "Always On"

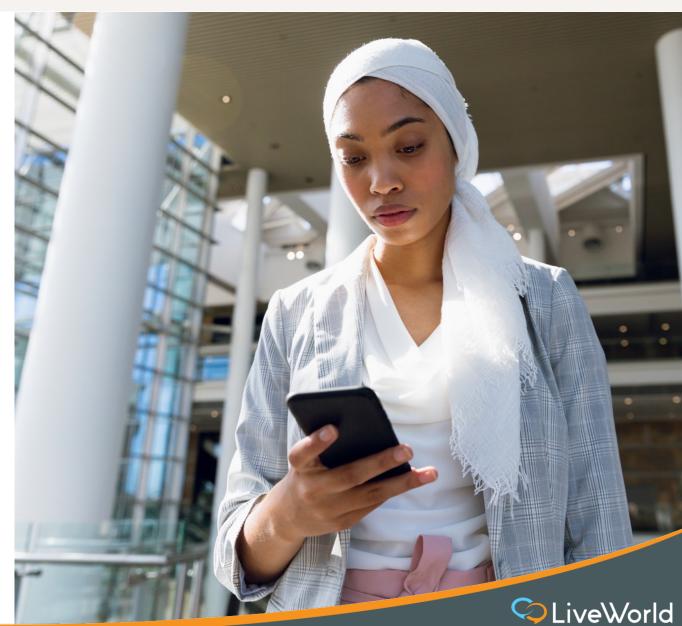
- Individual texts help keep patients on track
- Bulk SMS enables public health notifications



#### **Be Where Your Patients Are**

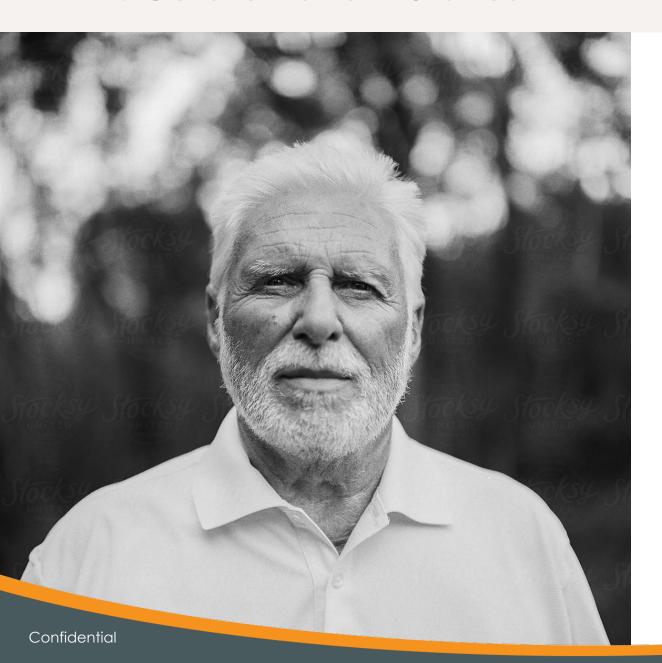


- Target media to prospect channel choices and preferences
- Aim for consistent synchronized messages



#### 4: Curate Patient Stories





Everyone has a story to tell and there is an almost unlimited appetite to hear and relate to them.



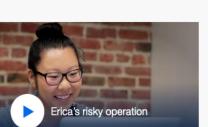
## The Stories You Choose Helps Communicate What You Want Patients To Know About You

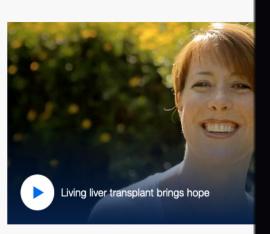


# Our teams welcome the toughest cases

We tackle the most difficult challenges, not only to provide the best possible health outcomes for our patients but to push innovation further.







#### Show Their Humanity – And Yours - In The Stories You Share

**%** 

New York-Presbyterian Hospital does this exceptionally well, as in this example of little Ivani Grace Washington's successful neonatal care.



#### Patients Appreciate Telling It Like It Is



### Montefiore Hospital isn't afraid of the dark (humor)

- Audio commentary in the patient's own voice
- "You're not allowed to pay people to donate an organ, so I came up with a slogan: I'm not asking you to open your wallet just your abdomen."
   from a transplant patient's story in his own words



#### When finding a hero became a matter of life and death

Blood was backing up into Paul's veins. And if any of them burst, he could have bled to death.

Facing peril, he found humor.



#### **How To Tell Stories That Matters**





Videos showcasing patient stories and successful outcomes perform better



Use hashtags to coalesce around communities





On Instagram, half of the best posts include two or more faces



Posts with a strong storytelling angle—behind the scenes POVs attract the most comments

Source: Convinceandconvert:Social Media Lessons from the Best American Hospitals



#### 5: Engage Influencers



We are a nation of reviewers, critics, and recommenders



#### Leverage Influencers Reach And Credibility

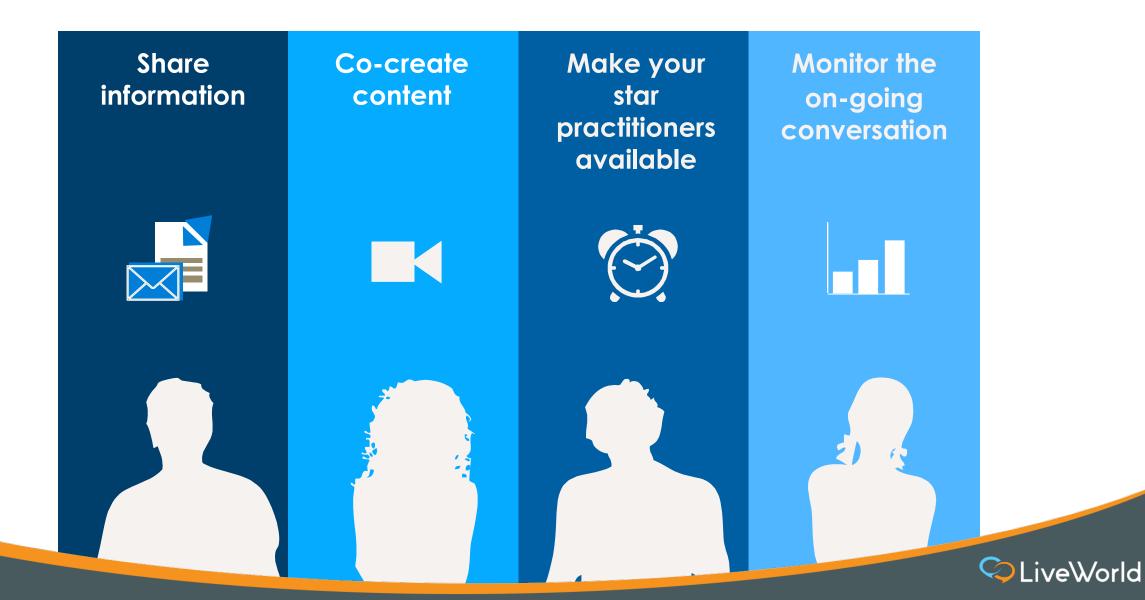


Embrace the influencers already speaking to your prospective **Aging** audiences and those who can Rehabilitatio advance your brand. Materna Surgery Covid-19 **Adolescent Prevention** 

#### Interact With The Influencers In Your Marketplace

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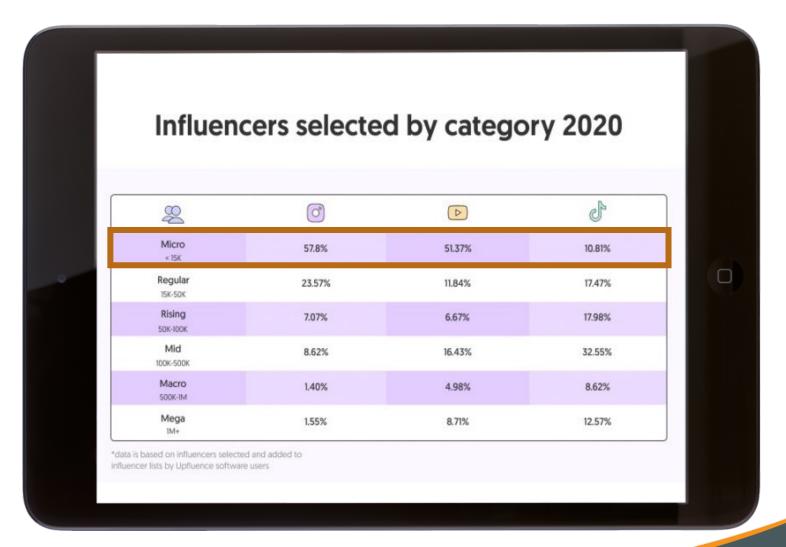




#### You Don't Need Superstar Influencers To Succeed



Research indicates better engagement rates for microinfluencers than for social media superstars



Source: Upfluence/Influencer Marketing Hub



#### Think Different - Act Different - Be Different



The pandemic has forced hospital marketers to think out of the box, abandon tried and true tactics and creatively respond to limited horizons.





- Become Your Consumer
- Curate Patient Stories

Engage Influencers



# Thank You!



