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Revenue sources of educational hospitals affiliated to Iranian Medical Universities (2007)

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Abstract

Background and Objective: In term of health and economic, Hospitals is the most important sector in the healthcare providers. Therefore it is necessary to use economic analysis to achieve optimum performance. This study was done to determine the revenue sources of 150 Iranian educational hospitals during 2007.

Materials and Methods: In this descriptive analytical study, data was collected by using of web based software in 150 educational hospitals affiliated to medical universities in Iran. We used the questionnaire for gathering the hospital profile which was filled by experts of budget personel in Minstry of Health and Medical Education.

Results: 23674 active beds were in 150 selected hospitals. The total revenue was 4116 billion Iranian rial. The two major sources of total revenue were insurance organizations reimbursement (75.97%) and out of packet payment (24.03%). Per bed revenue was 174 million rial. The composition insurance organizations reimbursement are medical services insurance organization (46.7%), social security organization (32%), army force insurance organization (5.8%), Emdad committee insurance (2.9%), traffic injuries (business insurance) (9.7%), donors funds (0.1%) and the other insurance program (2.7%).

Conclusion: The revenue of hospitals in Iran, highly depended on insurance reimbursement. Therefore, the hospitals confront serious problem if insurance organizations delay the reimbursement.

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