

Rola psychologa w rehabilitacji pacjentów po laryngektomii całkowitej z powodu raka krtani z zastosowaniem protez głosowych

The role of a psychologist in a rehabilitation of the patients with laryngeal cancer after total laryngectomy with implantation of the voice prostheses

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Summary

The new possibilities of voice rehabilitation in patients with laryngeal cancer who undergo total laryngectomy have been opened with the surgical insertion of voice prostheses after performing of the tracheoesophageal shunt. This method enables to achieve a voice of better quality which leads to improved patients' general well-being. The cornerstone of the rehabilitation after an implantation of voice prosthesis is an appropriate psychosocial attitude of a patient towards combating of a cancer and his motivation for a verbal communication. In this review we have characterized both a role of the psychologist in the diagnostic and therapeutic team and psychological attitudes of the patients with cancer. These problems were illustrated by the clinical cases.