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THE AVAILABILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF HEALTH INFORMATION AND MATERIALS IN SPANISH IN BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL, IL

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This study examines the availability of health information in Spanish and to determine the effectiveness of the materials for Spanish-speaking patients in the Bloomington-Normal community. The research questions are: Where is health information in Spanish found and in what forms?, What health topics have information available in Spanish?, Do the Spanish-speaking patients think this information is relevant, effective and comprehensible? Data will be collected through observations at local hospitals and health clinics as well as through surveys and interviews with Hispanic patients. The conclusions from this study are important since consequences of unequal access to health information may lead to untreated health issues. Suggestions on how to alleviate this potential issue will be provided.