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LA IDENTIDAD DESPUÉS DE UNA LESIÓN CEREBRAL ADQUIRIDA. UNA REVISIÓN SOBRE SU IMPACTO Y POSIBLES ABORDAJES

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RESUMEN

Las lesiones cerebrales adquiridas representan un cambio abrupto y repentino que puede perturbar el sentido de sí de los afectados, debido a que altera sus capacidades y condiciones de vida. Sin embargo, la reorganización de la identidad no suele ser considerada como objetivo concreto dentro de los programas de rehabilitación neuropsicológica. En consecuencia, el presente desarrollo se propuso como objetivo central sintetizar información acerca de las alteraciones de la identidad luego de una lesión cerebral adquirida, de los mecanismos causales de este fenómeno y de las modalidades de abordaje dentro del proceso de rehabilitación. Se realizó para ello una revisión bibliográfica de carácter narrativo, incluyendo artículos en inglés y en español referidos a población adulta disponibles en diversas bases de datos. Se halló como resultado vasta evidencia acerca de la perturbación negativa de la identidad de los afectados. Como factores causales se destaca la importancia de integrar aspectos neurológicos, cognitivos, sociales y personales. Finalmente, para el abordaje de la reorganización del sentido de sí se destacan el modelo en forma de Y y la técnica de mapeo metafórico de la identidad, adoptando además un enfoque holístico y centrado en la persona. Para concluir se mencionan algunas limitaciones terminológicas y etarias.

Palabras clave

Identidad - Lesión cerebral adquirida - Rehabilitación - Neuropsicología

ABSTRACT

IDENTITY AFTER ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY IN ADULTS.

A REVIEW OF ITS IMPACT AND POSSIBLE APPROACHES

Acquired brain injuries represent an abrupt and sudden change that can disturb a person's sense of self, because it alters their abilities and living conditions. However, the reorganization of identity is not usually considered as a specific objective within neuropsychological rehabilitation programs. Consequently, the main objective of the present development was to synthesize information about identity alterations after an acquired brain injury, its causal mechanisms and the approach modalities within the rehabilitation process. For this purpose, a narrative bibli-

graphic review was carried out, including articles in English and Spanish referring to the adult population available in various databases. As a result, vast evidence was found about the negative disturbance of the identity of those affected. As causal factors, the importance of integrating neurological, cognitive, social and personal aspects is highlighted. Finally, to address the reorganization of the sense of self, the Y-shaped model and the metaphorical identity mapping technique stand out. It's also essential to adopt a holistic and person-centered approach. To conclude, some terminological and age limitations are mentioned.

Keywords

Acquired brain injury - Self-identity - Neuropsychological - Rehabilitation

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