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In this presentation, Dr. Yüksel will discuss human rights violations in the field of healthcare in Turkey. Many democratic mass organizations and NGOs are struggling with these violations. The Turkish Medical Association, the Human Rights Foundation of Turkey, Academicians of Peace and a range of other organizations are collaborating to provide legal, physical and psychosocial support to the many constituencies facing human rights violations.