

Medical Websites ~ information good for what ails you

A listing of reliable web sites compiled by the Library Staff



Doctor Locator/Credential Sites

American Board of Medical Specialties ~ www.abms.org

Online version of the ABMS books; this site allows you to conduct searches by a physician's name or area of certification and a state name. User registration is required.

American Hospital Directory ~ www.ahd.com

Provides online data for over 6,000 hospitals, built from both public and private sources including Medicare claims data (MedPAR and OPPS), hospital cost reports, and other files obtained from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

AMA Doctor Finder ~ webapps.ama-assn.org/doctorfinder/home.html

Provides basic professional information on virtually every licensed physician in the United States. Maintained by the American Medical Association.

New York State Physician Profile ~ www.nydoctorprofile.com

Maintained by the New York State Department of Health. Provides profiles of all licensed doctors of medicine and doctors of osteopathy who are registered to practice medicine in New York State.

Medicare

Medicare & You 2010 ~

<http://www.medicare.gov/Library/PDFNavigation/PDFInterim.asp?Language=English&Type=Pub&PubID=10050>

Summary of 2010 Medicare benefits, coverage options, rights and protections, etc.

Medicare Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) ~ http://questions.medicare.gov/cgi-bin/medicare.cfg/php/enduser/std_alp.php

Answers 723 of the most commonly asked questions regarding Medicare.

General Health Sites

NOAH (New York Online Access to Health) ~ www.noah-health.org

Provides access to high quality consumer health information in English and Spanish. Librarians and health professionals in New York and beyond find, select, and organize full-text consumer health information that is current, relevant, accurate and unbiased.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ~ www.cdc.gov

Provides educational information on a wide scope of health and safety topics ranging from birth defects to vaccines and immunizations to workplace safety. Also contains state and federal statistical health information.

Mayo Clinic ~ www.mayoclinic.com

Contains useful and up-to-date information in more than 35 lifestyle and disease categories. The Mayo Clinic is a not-for-profit medical practice dedicated to the diagnosis and treatment of virtually every type of complex illness.

Medline Plus ~ medlineplus.gov

Brings together authoritative information from the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health and other governmental and health-related organizations. Contains information on over 700 conditions, lists of hospitals and physicians, medical encyclopedia and dictionary, interactive tutorials, health information in Spanish, extensive information on prescription and nonprescription drugs, and links to thousands of clinical trials.

WebMD ~ www.webmd.com

Helps consumers take an active role in managing their health by providing objective healthcare and lifestyle information. Includes access to health and wellness news articles and features, and decision-support services that help consumers obtain detailed information on a particular disease or condition, analyze symptoms, locate physicians, store individual healthcare information, receive periodic e-newsletters on topics of individual interest, enroll in interactive courses and participate in online communities with peers.

Alternative/Complementary Medicine Sites

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine ~ nccam.nih.gov/

Provides timely and accurate information about complementary and alternative medicine treatments and therapies. Available services include online chats with health professionals, statistical information, and factsheets on a wide variety of health conditions

WholeHealthMD ~ www.wholehealthmd.com

Provides consumers with professional, up-to-date guidance on the many options and benefits of integrating Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) with conventional health care treatments. Features a reference library with information on foods, supplements, and alternative therapies.