

Public Libraries and Healthy Communities

All of these resources (and more!) can be found online <https://tinyurl.com/gmrpl>

Resources

MedlinePlus medlineplus.gov/

- For patients, families, and friends
- Provides information about diseases, conditions, and wellness issues in language you can understand
- *Free*, reliable, up-to-date health information

Health and Aging nia.nih.gov/health/

- Provides reliable, easy to understand health information
- Includes background information, open-captioned videos, quizzes and frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Pillbox pillbox.nlm.nih.gov/

- Enables rapid identification of unknown solid-dosage medications (tablets/capsules) based on physical characteristics and high-resolution images
- Provides links to drug information and drug labels

Genetics Home Reference ghr.nlm.nih.gov/

- NLM's consumer-friendly site for information about genetic conditions, the genes or chromosomes associated with those conditions
- Includes the effects of genetic variations on human health

HealthReach healthfinder.gov/https://healthreach.nlm.nih.gov/

- A national collaborative partnership that has created a resource of quality multilingual, multicultural public health information for those working with or providing care to individuals with limited English proficiency. Resources include:
 - Health education materials in various languages and formats (brochures, handouts, audio recordings, and videos).
 - Provider information (reports, toolkits, and fact sheets).
 - Special collections on women's health, substance abuse, and mental health.

National Center for Complementary and Integrative Medicine nccih.nih.gov/

- Federal Government's lead agency for scientific research on the diverse medical and health care systems, practices, and products that are not generally considered part of conventional medicine.

Education

Stand Up for Health

Provides public library staff with core competencies, essential skills, and knowledge of providing health information services.

Upon completion, all participants will receive the Consumer Health Information Specialization certificate.

- March 20 In-person Preconference PLA http://bit.ly/PLA_StandUp
- April 23- May20 Online Registration coming soon!
 nlm.gov/classes/stand-up-for-health
- September 2018 In-person preconference at ARSL

Additional Classes

<https://nlm.gov/gmr/training/schedule>

Funding

Programming and Outreach:

Public libraries are encouraged to apply for funding for health-related programs and projects. Applications are accepted continually. We are happy to work with you on funding applications

Membership

Members are eligible to take advantage of services that include:

- Free educational materials for order and download
- Professional development webinars and online courses
- Funding for health outreach and programming
- Funding for professional certifications from the MLA
- NNLM membership certificate to display commitment to healthy community
- Joining is free!

nlm.gov/gmr/members

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