

# African American Quality Health Information

## MedlinePlus

<http://www.medlineplus.gov>

MedlinePlus brings together authoritative information from the National Library of Medicine, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and other government agencies and health-related organizations. You can search by health topics and drugs and supplements. MedlinePlus also has an encyclopedia with pictures, online tutorials, a medical dictionary, and surgical videos. For information specific to African American Health, search Population groups.



## NIHSeniorHealth

<http://nihseniorhealth.gov/>

Created by the National Institute on Aging and the National Library of Medicine, NIHSeniorHealth is a website for older adults. It contains aging-related health information that is easily accessible for family members and friends seeking reliable, easy to understand health information.

## Genetics Home Reference

<http://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/>

Developed by the National Institutes of Health and the National Library of Medicine, this website has quality health information about genetic conditions and passing genetic information from one generation to the next.



## Household Products

<http://hpd.nlm.nih.gov/>



What's under your kitchen sink, in your garage, in your bathroom, and on the shelves in your laundry room? Learn more about what's in these products, about potential health effects, and about safety and handling. A database in partnership with the National Library of Medicine.

## AIDSinfo.gov

<http://www.aidsinfo.nih.gov>



AIDSinfo is a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) project that offers the latest federally approved information on HIV/AIDS clinical research, treatment and prevention, and medical practice guidelines for people living with HIV/AIDS, their families and friends, health care providers, scientists, and researchers. Click on Health Topics, Minority, African American health for a listing of resources relating to AIDS/HIV and African Americans.

## Other Reliable Resources

### American Stroke Association

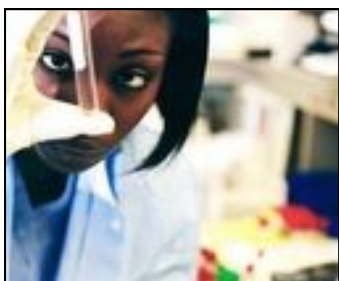
<http://www.strokeassociation.org>

The American Stroke Association's goal is to reduce stroke and risk by 25 percent by 2010. They work with the American Heart Association and offer information about strokes for health professionals, families, and friends of stroke victims. They also advocate change. Information can be found specifically for African Americans.

## American Diabetes Association

[www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org)

The mission of the Association of Diabetes is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. Health information includes quality resources about diabetes, nutrition, and exercise. Resources are available that relate specifically to African Americans.



## Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

CDC's Mission is "to promote health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability." The website contains quality health information, statistics, emergency preparedness, environmental health, and travel information. African American resources are readily available.

How do I find quality health information on the Internet?



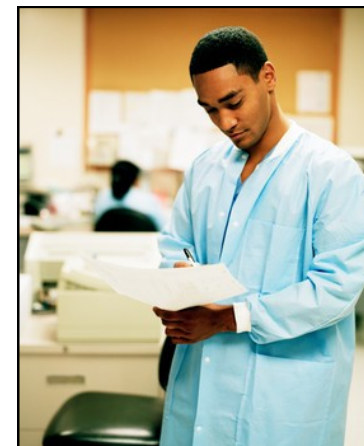
### Authority, Accuracy, and Audience

- Look at the organization's mission and "about us" page.
- Look at the authorship and sponsorship of the site.
- Is the information provided appropriate to the audience level, well-organized and easy to use?

### Availability, Maintained, and Up-to-date

- The Web site maintains its links and the links are not broken.
- The source for the contents of the Web page(s) and the entity responsible for maintaining the Web site (webmaster, organization, creator of the content) is clear.
- Information is current or an update date is included.
- Registration is not required to view the information on the site.

## Quality Resources for African American Health Information



## National Network of Libraries of Medicine

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