Health Online: Government Resources for Health Information

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Basic
• Medline Plus

Medium
• CDC

Advanced
• PubMed
• Easy, simple search
• Includes drug & supplements
• Videos and interactive options
• Easy-to-Read
• Spelling options
• Breakdown of sub categories
• Spanish and some other language options

www.medlineplus.gov
• Can search within topic
• Mortality and Morbidity Weekly Report (MMWR)
• Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)
• Surveillance programs
• Library (Search the Stacks)

www.cdc.gov
• MeSH search
• Pubmed
• Pubmed Central (PMC)
MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) is the NLM controlled vocabulary thesaurus used for indexing articles for PubMed.

- Controlled medical terms
- Hierarchical
- Most specific terms used
- Subheadings help to narrow down results
PubMed

• Online index
• 20 million citations
• Scholarly w/ some popular
• Good for health specialists/students
• 5400 current biomedical & health journals
• MeSH (Medical Subject Headings)
• Advanced search option
• Links to some full text
Pubmed Central

- Full text resources
- Some full journal issues
- Peer reviewed
- Different search option

www.pubmed.gov
Quick review of study types

- Meta-Analysis
- Systematic Review
- Randomized Controlled Trial
- Cohort studies
- Case Control studies
- Case Series/Case Reports
- Animal research/Laboratory studies

http://www.hsl.unc.edu/Services/Tutorials/EBM/Supplements/QuestionSupplement.htm
Questions?