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"NIHSeniorHealth & MEDLINE plu Web-based Resources for Caregivers and the Elderly"

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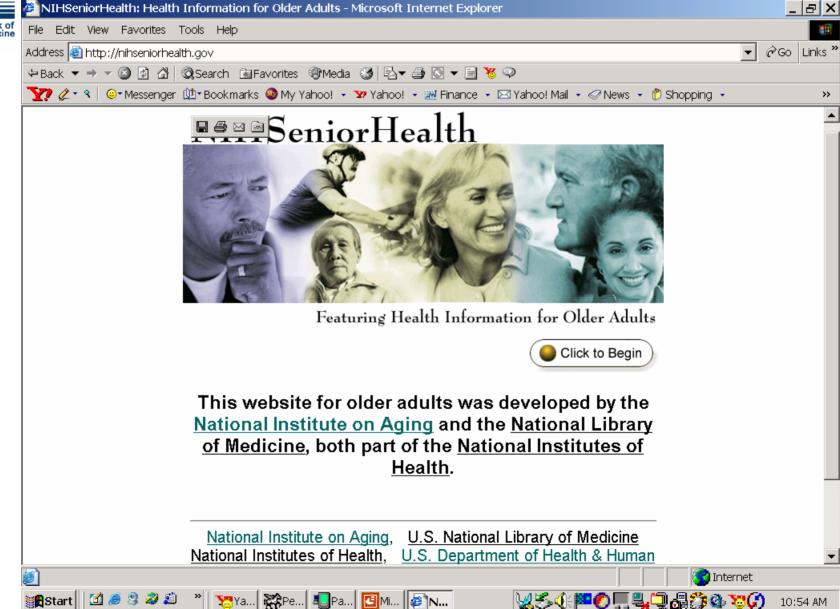
- National Library of Medicine http://www.nlm.nih.gov/
- One of the National Institutes of Health
- Current Areas of Focus
- Information Products/Databases/Services

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http://nnlm.gov/partners - public health
http://medlineplus.gov - consumer health
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http://nihseniorhealth.gov - senior/caregiver

http://nnlm.gov- Regional Medical Library program







NIHSeniorHealth Demo

http://nihseniorhealth.gov

- Developed in collaboration with the National Institute on Aging
- Easily accessible for those 60+
- Useful tool for family and friends
- Senior-friendly site design



Web Site Design

- NIA research on older adults
 - Cognitive aging
 - Computer usage
 - User Evaluated
- Features booklet on web design for seniors http://www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/checklist.pdf
 - Large print
 - Short, easy to read "pages"
 - Repetition for retention



Organization

- Health topics
 - -Alzheimer's disease
 - Alzheimer's caregivers
 - -Exercise for older adults
- Evolving and expanding



Content

- General background information
- Open-captioned videos
- Short quizzes
- FAQ's



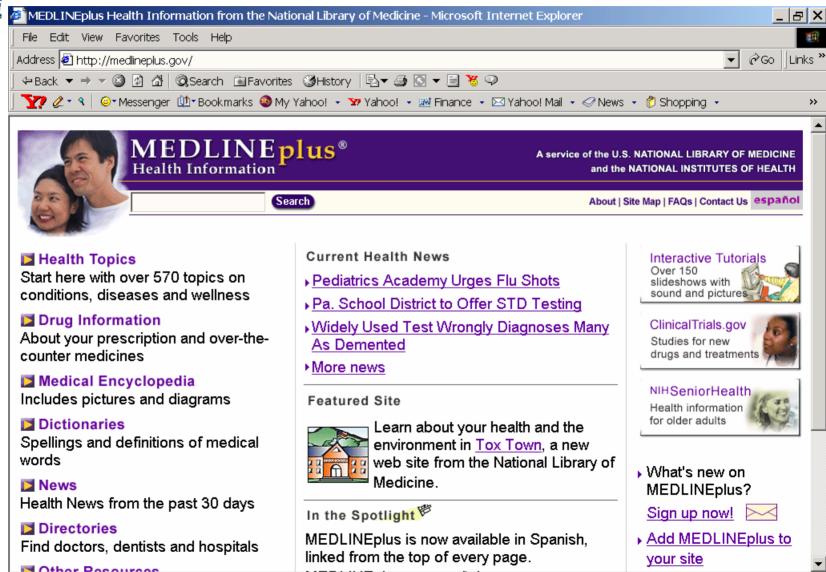
Points to emphasize

- NIH / NLM making health information accessible to Seniors
- Designed in a way to assist seniors based on usability evaluations with Seniors

Send NLM your feedback!



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MEDLINEplus

- Web-based database of *authoritative* health information
- Over 500 health topics, content reviewed every 6 months
- Links checked daily
- No advertising
- Types of materials included:
 - Daily Health News
 - Adam.com Medical Encyclopedia
 - Drug Information
 - Directories / Dictionaries
 - Links to pre-formulated searches of MEDLINE on PubMed



Home Page

http://medlineplus.gov

- Health topics
- Drug Information
- Medical Encyclopedia
- Dictionaries
- News
- Directories
- Other Resources
- Current Health News
- Featured Site
- In the Spotlight en espanol
- Sign up for weekly announcements
- Links: tutorials, clinical trials, NIHSeniorHealth



Health Topics

- Search box
- Topic alpha listing by first letter
- Broad group listing
- Interactive health tutorials
- Frequently requested topics



Health Topic Pages

- Table of contents
- Link to NIH research on topic
- Link to MEDLINE search for recent research articles
- Broader topic suggestions



Drug Information

- Search box
- Browse by generic or brand name
- Brand names, description, side effects
- Will add photos of pills in future update
- Late-breaking news updates



Medical Encyclopedia

- 4,000 articles
- Color illustrations
- Definitions



Health News

- Displays on home page and on each topic page
- Can search stories by topic
- Archived for 30 days



National Network of Libraries of Medicine Interactive Health Tutorials

- Currently 90+ tutorials
- Basic information
- Text in easy to read language
- Audio for those who don't read well
- Spanish Language tutorials as well



QUESTIONS?

Thank you!

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