Background

Health-E Illinois is part of a federally-funded initiative to link users of MedlinePlus, the National Library of Medicine’s consumer health information website, to health services and providers in their communities. Health-E Illinois will enable the public anywhere in Illinois to visit the MedlinePlus website for information on a health topic or condition and then link directly to the Health-E Illinois database to locate related healthcare services in their own county or zip code.

Contents

Health-E Illinois is currently made up of over 5,000+ unique, searchable records. Each record represents a healthcare facility, program, or service. Below is a glance at a few popular health topics and the programs that serve them in the database. These are 3 of 740 health topics available at MedlinePlus.

Senior Health Issues:
- Adult Day Care: 168
- Assisted Living Facility: 409
- Home Health Services: 96
- Hospice Care Services: 102
- Nursing Homes: 624
- Respite Care Services: 161
- Retirement Facilities: 364
- Senior Centers: 167

Women’s Health Issues:
- Breastfeeding Consultants: 135
- Family Planning Services: 86
- Gynecologists: 220
- Health Education Programs: 184
- Health Screenings: 89
- Obstetricians: 184
- Social Services: 127

Autism:
- Advocacy Services: 17
- Case Management: 39
- Disability Programs: 66
- Group Homes: 15
- Psychologists: 76
- Support Groups: 18

Progress (2007)

February: 1,000 Records
March: 2,000 Records
April: 3,000 Records
May: 4,000 Records
June: 5,000 Records

The Process

Step 1: Locate Information
Enter the name of a health topic or condition in the search box. You will be directed to the site that is closest to you.

Step 2: Select Information
Choose a service that is right for you. You will be given the chance to choose a location for your service needs.

Step 3: Format Information
Choose a format that is right for you and your needs. Full listing is an easy-to-read format that is ideal for printing and sharing with others.

Step 4: Optimal
Make sure the location is a good fit and will meet your needs. You can contact the facility and ask questions before making a visit to ensure a positive experience.

Step 5: Access Records
The address, phone number, and website will be listed. This information is widely available and can be accessed at any time.

Step 6: Complete Record
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