

allergy

n. hypersensitivity reaction

People who are especially at risk include those who are unable to move, perhaps because of a stroke, those with contracted limbs which could be a result of an arthritic condition, people with a known skin condition or allergy and those who are debilitated or undernourished, where there is little flesh between the skin and the bone.

Forms: plural: allergies

blood flow

n. process that describes the movement of body fluids through the veins and arteries

It is true that we cannot observe or measure directly mental processes taking place in the brain in the way that we can measure, say, blood flow via a brain scanner.

Forms: no plural

chest pain

n. aching in the thorax

Now that ambulatory manometry has become available, it is necessary to identify these patterns if perfectly normal esophageal migrating motor complex activity is not to be interpreted as a sign of esophageal motility disorders or as a cause of esophageal chest pain.

Forms: plural: chest pains

dizziness

n. light-headedness

As well as causing annoyance by making hair and clothes smell unpleasant, involuntary smoke exposure can cause symptoms such as eye irritation, headache, cough, sore throat, dizziness and nausea and produces small but measurable changes in the air passages in the lungs of otherwise healthy adults.

Forms: no plural

ejaculation

n. process of emitting sperm

Ejaculation is needed to position the sperm high up in the vagina to maximize the chances of conception. Many men become anxious about the lack of spontaneous erection and diminished ejaculation, and fear they are becoming impotent.

Forms: plural: ejaculations

flushing

n. reddening of the skin

I often experience the descent of the Kundalini down the front side of my body, into my chest area (can't be more specific) and this causes a bright red flushing in the skin of my chest, which I believe is caused by the energy release.

Forms: no plural

grapefruit

n. citrus X paradisi

Breakfast is an English affair, with fresh grapefruit, kedgerree, kippers and bacon, eggs and tomatoes.

Forms: plural: grapefruits

heart disease

n. illness with the following symptoms: shortness of breath, palpitations (skipped beats or a 'flip-flop' feeling in the chest); weakness or dizziness; nausea, sweating

Several studies have reported a positive association with ischaemic heart disease, but after correction for the effect of cholesterol serum triglyceride does not appear to be an independent risk factor.

Forms: plural: heart diseases

improvement

n. process of getting better

We have had a good year with minor upsets, such as a cataract operation for me which was no trouble at all, and has resulted in a dramatic improvement in my eyesight.

Forms: plural: improvements

jaundice

n. yellowing of the skin and the whites of the eyes caused by an accumulation of bile pigment (bilirubin) in the blood

Jaundice is also called icterus.

Forms: no plural

kinetic energy

n. power of movement

Kinetic energy is needed for a person to run or move.

Forms: plural: kinetic energies

leukemia

n. type of blood cancer which is characterized by rapid growth of white blood cells

There are many types of leukemias that typically affect different age groups of the population.

Forms: plural: leukemias, singular: leukaemia or leucaemia

medical history

n. information on a person's previous illnesses and their present health conditions

Hering stated that a cure should proceed: from above, downwards -- from the head or upper regions of the body down towards the feet, from within, out -- from the internal organs out to the joints or skin, from more important to less important organs -- from the liver, heart or lungs out to the joints or skin, from the present backwards in time -- going back into the patient's medical history.

Forms: no plural

notice

v. to observe

With this exercise plan you will notice an enormous improvement in your stamina, suppleness and strength after just seven days.

Forms: noticed; noticed; noticing

obstetrics

n. the branch of medicine concerning conception, pregnancy and childbirth

Until the specialty and, more importantly, the college recognise the value of an academic career and are willing to regard academics as equals, academic obstetrics and gynaecology will be an unpopular choice and will remain in the scientific shadow of medicine and surgery.

Forms: no plural

persist

v. to continue

In spite of various difficulties over these early broadcasts and the general absence of supplementary printed material for class use, together with some antipathy towards this innovatory form of teaching, the Cambridge branch persisted with radio programmes into 1929.

Forms: persisted; persisted; persisting

quadriceps

n. large muscle of the thigh

The quadriceps extends the leg.

Forms: no plural

retina disease

n. malfunction of the light-sensitive membrane which is part of the eyeball

Retina disease which may be caused at an output level of 60 mW to 100 mW in LLLT can be avoided by preventing the single-color laser beam from being radiated to the outside of the projecting part 200 in such a manner that the probe 300a of the switch part 300 is pushed against the treatment object region 500.

Forms: plural: retina diseases

skin rash

n. inflammation

If the patient's well-being is enhanced or if a problem such as asthma is cured, but joint pains flare up or a skin rash develops, the physician can reassure the patient that things are moving in the right direction and that the joint or skin problem should be transient and will also clear up in due course.

Forms: plural: skin rashes

tumor

n. an abnormal production of new tissue that has no purpose

The potential advantage of early treatment in asymptomatic patients with advanced colorectal cancer seems to have been confirmed by a trial from the Nordic Gastrointestinal Tumor Adjuvant Therapy Group.

Forms: also: tumour; plural: tumors or tumours

uses

n. cases in which a specific medication should be applied

The major sources of ionizing radiation arising from human technological developments include medical uses of radiation, nuclear explosions, and power generation from nuclear fission.

Forms: only plural

vertex

n. the highest point of the skull; the top of the head

In practice many laboratories use two electrodes on the scalp, one at the vertex (midway centrally between the bridge of the nose and the inion, or bony bump at the base of the cranium), and one frontally, about two centimetres behind the hairline.

Forms: plural: vertexes

worsen

v. to deteriorate

Both the trade and budget deficits continued to worsen, while an energy crisis caused by the failure to generate enough electricity and the non-payment of debt for oil to Venezuela, hampered production.

Forms: worsened; worsened; worsening

xylem

n. the tissue in plants which transports water and salts

Water travels from the plant roots to the leaves up the xylem.

Forms: no plural

yeast

n. barm

Yeast is reproduced by budding. Yeast is made up of millions of tiny fungus cells which literally go berserk when confronted by a liquid rich with sugars.

Forms: no plural

zinc

n. a metal showing few properties of the transition metals

Zinc is used to coat iron to stop it rusting.

Forms: no plural
