

CalOptima Medical Terminology (Medical)

Term	Easily Understood Language (6th Grade)
ABDOMEN	Belly
ABNORMAL UTERINE BLEEDING	Bleeding from the womb that is not normal
ABORTION	A surgery to end a pregnancy
ACANTHOSIS NIGRICANS	A condition when the skin starts to darken and get thicker
ACCESSORY TRAGUS	Extra skin on the outside of the ear
ACID MALTASE DEFICIENCY	A condition present from birth that disables the heart and muscles
ACID REFLUX	When acid from the stomach backs up into the throat and causes burning pain
ACIDOSIS	Too much acid in the body fluids
ACNE	A common skin problem that causes pimples
ACTINIC KERATOSIS	A thickening of the skin from too much sun
ACUPUNCTURE	A treatment that places tiny needles into the skin to help control pain
ACUPUNCTURIST	A provider (or healthcare worker) who places tiny needles into the skin to help control pain
ACUTE MYELOID LEUKEMIA (AML)	A type of cancer of the blood
ADENOID	Round pieces of tissue in the back of the throat
ADENOIDECTOMY	A surgery to take out the round pieces of tissue in the back of the throat
ADENOMYOSIS	Thickening of the womb that is not normal
ADENOSINE STRESS TEST	A test used to evaluate blood flow to the heart
AUTISM DIAGNOSTIC INTERVIEW (ADI-R)	A set of questions parents or caregivers answer about how the child talks and acts
ADRENAL GLAND	An organ in the body that makes chemicals the body needs to work right
ADRENOGENITAL SYNDROME	A group of conditions which cause the sex organs to grow larger than normal
ADRENOLEUKODYSTROPHY	A condition when the body cannot break down certain types of fats
ADVANCE DIRECTIVE	Notes that show the kind of healthcare a person wants when they cannot speak for themselves
AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR	An act that is violent and cannot be predicted
AGITATION	When a person is not able to relax and stay still
AIR MATTRESS	A special bed that helps prevent bed sores

AIRWAY VEST CLEARANCE SYSTEM	A vest hooked to a device that helps the lungs clear out mucus
ALCOHOL SCREEN	A test to determine if there is alcohol in the body
ALCOHOLISM	A long-term disease when a person has problems with alcohol use
ALLERGY	A reaction to something that may cause a rash, runny nose, or itchy eyes
ALLERGIST	A special doctor who treats people with reactions to things found in their surroundings
ALLERGY FOOD PATCH TESTING	A group of tests to see if a person has a reaction to certain foods
ALLERGY INJECTIONS	Shots to help a person stop reacting to things found in their surroundings
ALLERGY SKIN TESTING	A skin test to see if a person has a reaction to things found in their surroundings
ALOPECIA	Baldness or hair loss
ALOPECIA AREATA	Loss of small patches of hair
ALPHA 1-ANTITRYPSIN DEFICIENCY	A condition present at birth that can lead to liver and lung disease
ALPHA FETOPROTEIN (CANCER SCREEN)	A blood test to check for cancer
ALPHA FETOPROTEIN (FETAL SCREEN)	A test used to see if an unborn baby is normal
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE	Changes in the brain that cause problems with memory and the way a person acts
AMBIGUOUS GENITALIA	When the sex organs are not clearly male or female
AMBULATORY	Able to walk
AMENORRHEA	When a female does not have regular periods
AMPUTATION	A surgery to remove a body part
AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS (ALS)	A disease of the nerves in the brain and spinal cord that control muscles
ANAPHYLAXIS	A severe reaction that is rapid and may cause death
ANEMIA	Low iron level in blood
ANESTHESIOLOGIST	A special doctor who puts a person to sleep for a surgery
ANEURYSM	Area of weakness in the wall of an artery
ANGINA	Chest pain
ANGIOEDEMA	Swelling under the skin

ANGIOGRAM	A special picture of blood vessels
ANGIOPLASTY	A procedure to open blocked blood vessels of the heart
ANKLE FOOT ORTHOSIS	A brace to support the ankle and the foot
ANKLE FUSION	A surgery where ankle bones are joined together
ANKYLOSING SPONDYLITIS	Painful joint swelling that can cause the backbones to grow together
ANODYNE THERAPY	A treatment using a special light to decrease pain and swelling
ANOMALY	Not normal
ANOREXIA	Not eating due to a severe fear of gaining weight
ANTERIOR CRUCIATE LIGAMENT (ACL) TEAR	A tear in tissue that holds the kneecap in place
ANTIBIOTICS	Drugs that kill bacteria
ANTICOAGULATION	The use of drugs to thin blood and keep it from clotting too easily
ANUS	The opening where stool exits the body
ANXIETY	A feeling of fear or stress
AORTA	The main blood vessel which carries blood from the heart to the body
APHASIA	Trouble speaking due to a brain injury
APNEA	A condition when a person stops breathing
APNEA DOWNLOADS	The notes from a machine that checks the heart rate and breathing
APNEA MONITOR	A machine that checks the heart rate and breathing
APRAXIA	Disorder of the brain and nervous system in which a person is unable to perform tasks or movements when asked
AQUACEL SILVER DRESSING	Large cloth to help a wound heal faster
ARRHYTHMIA	A heart beat that is not regular
ARTERY	A vessel that carries blood from the heart to the body
ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	A condition of hardening of blood vessels
ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATION (AVM)	A condition when blood vessels join in a way that is not normal
ARTHEROSCLEROSIS	A condition of hardening of blood vessels

ARTHRITIS	Painful joint swelling
ARTHROCENTESIS	A procedure to remove extra fluid from a joint
ARTHROPLASTY	A surgery to rebuild or replace a joint
ARTHROSCOPY	A special test using a camera to look inside a joint
ARTHROTOMY	A surgery to open a joint
ARTICULATION DISORDER	Trouble speaking because of problems with the tongue or lips
ASCITES	A condition causing fluid in the belly that is not normal
ASPERGER'S SYNDROME	A condition that affects a person's social skills
ASPHYXIA	A condition of not enough air to the body
ASPIRATION	The act of inhaling something harmful into the lungs
ASTHMA	A condition caused by narrowing of the large air pipes making it hard to breathe
ASYMMETRICAL BREASTS	One breast does not look like the other one
ASYMPTOMATIC	No sign of a medical problem
ATOPIC DERMATITIS	Skin that is itchy and scaly
ATRIAL FIBRILLATION	A heartbeat that is not normal
ATRIOVENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT (AVSD)	A condition present from birth where there is no wall between the chambers of the heart
ATROPHY	A condition when a body part weakens
ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER (ADD)	A condition when a person cannot focus on a task for very long
ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)	A condition when a person cannot focus on a task or sit still for long
AUDIOLOGY TEST	An exam to check a person's hearing
AUDITORY BRAINSTEM RESPONSE (ABR)	A special test of the brain to check hearing
AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD)	A group of conditions when a person has poor social skills and repeats actions
AUTOIMMUNE	A condition when the body attacks its own cells
BACTERIA	Germs
BALANITIS	Painful swelling of the head of the male sex organ
BARIATRIC SURGEON	A special doctor who does weight loss surgery
BARIUM ENEMA	A special x-ray of the colon and rectum

BARIUM SWALLOW	A special test to examine the throat and stomach
BARRETT'S ESOPHAGUS	Damage to the food pipe caused by stomach acid
BATH SEAT	A chair used to help keep a person safe while they take a bath
BED WEDGE	A piece of foam that raises a person's upper or lower body while in bed
BEHAVIORAL ISSUE	A problem with the way a person acts
BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION	Treatment to change the way a person acts
BENIGN	Not dangerous to a person's health
BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERTROPHY (BPH)	An increase in size of a male sex gland
BILATERAL MYRINGOTOMY WITH TUBES (BMT)	A surgery to help drain fluid from inside the ears
BILE	A fluid made by the liver that digests fat
BILE DUCTS	The tubes that carry the fluid that digests fat
BI-LEVEL POSITIVE AIRWAY PRESSURE (BIPAP) MACHINE	A special device that helps a person breathe while sleeping
BILIARY CIRRHOSIS	A condition caused by too much fluid in the liver
BILIBLANKET	A special blanket to treat babies with yellow skin that is not normal
BILIRUBIN	A yellow substance found in blood
BIOFEEDBACK	A special treatment to help a person control their thinking or reactions
BIOPHYSICAL PROFILE	A test that measures the health of a baby during pregnancy
BIOPSY	A procedure to remove tissue for testing
BIPOLAR DISORDER	A condition causing big mood swings from happy to sad without reason
BIRTH CONTROL	Methods to keep a woman from having a baby
BIRTH DEFECT	A problem that a person is born with
BLEPHAROPLASTY	A surgery on an eyelid
BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITOR	A device that measures the amount of sugar in the blood
BLOOD HISTOLOGY	A test of the blood cells
BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR	A device to measure blood pressure
BONE GROWTH STIMULATOR	A device that helps a broken bone heal faster

BONE MARROW	The soft and spongy center of the bone
BONE SPUR	A small jagged growth on a bone
BRACHIAL PLEXUS	A grouping of nerves
BRACHIOPLASTY	A surgery to remove extra skin from the upper arms
BRACHYCEPHALY	A head that is wider than normal
BRADYCARDIA	A heart rate less than 60 beats per minute
BRANCHIAL CLEFT CYST	A condition present from birth causing lumps in or near the neck
BRCA (BREAST CANCER) TEST	A test that checks for the risk of breast cancer
BREAST AUGMENTATION	A surgery to make breasts bigger
BREAST ENGORGEMENT	Breasts that are too full of milk
BRIEFS	Special underwear that helps protect the skin
BRONCHIAL SPASM	A problem breathing due to tightening of the large air pipes in the lungs
BRONCHIECTASIS	A permanent widening of the large air pipes in the lungs
BRONCHIOLITIS	Swelling of small air pipes in the lungs
BRONCHITIS	Swelling of the large air pipes in the lungs
BRONCHOSCOPY	A special test using a camera to look inside the lungs
BRUIT	A sound that is not normal made by blood flowing through a vessel
BUNION	A growth on the side of the big toe
BUNIONECTOMY	A surgery to remove a growth on the side of the big toe
CACHEXIA	A condition of wasting away
CAFE AU LAIT SPOT	A light tan birthmark
CALCULUS	A stone that is formed in the body
CALLUS	Skin that has become thick or hard
CANCER	A group of conditions in which cells grow out of control and invade parts of the body
CANDIDA	A yeast infection
CANTHOPLASTY	A surgery on the eyelid
CAPSULE ENDOSCOPY	A test using small camera which is swallowed to look inside the body

CARBUNCLE	A large boil under the skin
CARDIAC DYSRHYTHMIA	An irregular heart beat
CARDIAC ISCHEMIA	Reduced blood flow to the heart
CARDIAC REHABILITATION	A program to help a person heal after heart surgery
CARDIAC STRESS TEST	A test used to evaluate blood flow to the heart during exercise
CARDIOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats heart problems
CARDIOMYOPATHY	A long term condition that enlarges and weakens the heart
CARDIOTHORACIC SURGEON	A special doctor who operates on the heart and lungs
CARDIOVASCULAR TELEMETRY	A special device that tracks heartbeats from another location
CAROTID ARTERY	A blood vessel that supplies oxygen to the brain
CARPAL TUNNEL SYNDROME	A condition caused by pressure on a nerve in the wrist
CARTILAGE	The tissue that connects the bones in a joint
CATARACT	A cloudy film on the lens of the eye
CATHETER ABLATION	A treatment to stop heartbeats that are not regular
CAUDA EQUINA	Nerve roots at the end of the tail bone
CELIAC SPRUE	A condition when the body cannot digest grain
CELLULITIS	Swelling of tissue caused by an infection
CEREBRAL	Of the brain
CEREBRAL ARTERY OCCLUSION	The blood vessels to the brain are blocked
CEREBRAL EMBOLISM	A clot that blocks a blood vessel in the brain
CEREBRAL INFARCTION	A stroke
CEREBRAL PALSY	Brain damage while in the womb or during birth causing poor muscle control
CEREBRAL VASCULAR ACCIDENT (CVA)	A stroke
CEREBROSPINAL FLUID (CSF)	A liquid around the spinal cord and brain
CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE	Damage to blood vessels in the brain
CERVICAL FUSION	A surgery to join bones in the neck
CERVICAL SPINE	Bones in the back of the neck
CERVICAL SPINE EPIDURAL INJECTION	A shot of drugs into the neck bones to stop pain

CERVICAL SPONDYLOSIS	A condition causing the breakdown of the neck bones
CERVICAL STENOSIS	Narrowing of the spaces between the neck bones
CERVICAL TRACTION UNIT	A device that stretches the neck
CERVICALGIA	Neck pain
CERVIX	Neck of the womb
CHAIR LIFT	A special chair that tilts to help a person stand up
CHARCOT-MARIE-TOOTH DISEASE	A group of conditions that affect the nerves outside the brain and spine
CHEMOEMBOLIZATION	A procedure to put in cancer-fighting drugs into a tumor
CHEMOTHERAPY	The use of strong drugs to kill cancer cells
CHIROPRACTIC ADJUSTMENT	A treatment done by a special doctor to line up the back bone
CHIROPRACTOR	A special doctor who works with the bones and joints
CHOLANGIOGRAPHY	A special picture of the tubes that carry the fluid that digests fat
CHOLECYSTECTOMY	A surgery to remove the gallbladder
CHOLECYSTITIS	Swelling of the gallbladder causing pain
CHOLELITHIASIS	The condition of having a stone in the gallbladder
CHOLESTEROL	A type of fat in blood
CHONDROMALACIA OF PATELLA	The smooth tissue under the knee gets too soft to work right
CHORDEE REPAIR	A surgery to fix a curved male sex organ
CHRONIC	Long term
CHRONIC AIRWAY OBSTRUCTION	A long-term condition causing breathing problems due to narrow wind pipes
CHRONIC CONSTIPATION	A long-term condition causing problems passing stool
CHRONIC INTERSTITIAL CYSTITIS	A long-term condition causing swelling of the bladder wall
CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE	A long-term condition causing the kidneys to not work right

CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE (COPD)	A group of conditions that makes breathing hard
CHRONIC PAIN SYNDROME	Long-term pain that worsens over time
CHRONIC PROGRESSIVE DEMYELINATION	A long-term disease that causes the covering of nerves to break down
CHRONIC PYELONEPHRITIS	A long-term kidney infection
CICATRICIAL ECTROPION	A condition when the eyelid pulls away from the eye
CIRCUMCISION	A surgery to remove the fold of skin that covers the male sex organ
CIRRHOSIS	A long-term liver disease caused by scar tissue
CLOSED HEAD INJURY	A brain injury caused by a blow to the head
CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE (C. DIFF)	A germ in the bowel
CLUB FOOT	A condition from birth when a baby's foot is twisted out of shape
COCHLEAR IMPLANT	A small device put in the ear to help deaf people hear
COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT	A condition that makes it hard to think and learn
COLECTOMY	A surgery to remove all or part of the bowel
COLITIS	Swelling of the bowel
COLON	The large bowel
COLON POLYP	A growth in the large bowel
COLONOSCOPY	A special test to look inside the large bowel
COLOSTOMY	A surgery to create an opening in the large bowel
COMMODE	A toilet used at the bedside
COMPRESSED NERVE	Pressure on the nerve causing pain
COMPRESSION FRACTURE	Collapse of a bone in the spine
COMPRESSION STOCKINGS	Special socks that are worn to help blood flow through the legs
COMPUTERIZED TOMOGRAPHY (CT) ANGIOGRAPHY	A special picture of blood vessels
COMPUTERIZED TOMOGRAPHY (CT) SCAN	Special pictures of the inside of the body
CONCENTRATOR	A device that provides oxygen
CONCUSSION	A small brain injury caused by a blow to the head
CONGENITAL	A condition a person is born with
CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE	Heart problem present at birth

CONGENITAL HEREDITARY MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY	A condition from birth that causes muscle weakness
CONGENITAL TALIPES EQUINOVARUS	A condition from birth when a baby's foot is twisted out of shape
CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE (CHF)	A long-term condition when the heart cannot pump enough blood to other organs
CONJUNCTIVITIS	A condition due to swelling of the lining of the eye
CONSTIPATION	Problems passing stool
CONSULTATION	An office visit to discuss a person's care
CONTINUOUS PASSIVE MOTION (CPM) MACHINE	A device to help move a joint after surgery
CONTINUOUS POSITIVE AIRWAY PRESSURE (CPAP)	A device that helps with breathing while asleep
CONTINUOUS POSITIVE AIRWAY PRESSURE (CPAP) HEADGEAR	A head piece for the device that helps with breathing while asleep
CONTRACEPTION	A way to stop a woman from getting pregnant
CONTRACTURE	A long-term condition when a muscle freezes
CONTROLLED ANKLE MOTION (CAM) WALKER	A special brace used to support the lower leg
CONVENIENCE ITEM	Something to make an activity easier
CONVULSIONS	Severe muscle movements that cannot be controlled
CORN	Skin that has become thick or hard on the toes
CORNEAL DYSTROPHY	A condition causing the clear cover of the eye to be cloudy
CORNEAL TRANSPLANT	The clear cover of the eye is replaced by eye tissue from another person
CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE (CAD)	A long-term condition causing blood vessels in the heart to become partly blocked
CORONARY ATHEROSCLEROSIS	A long-term condition causing blood vessels in the heart to harden
COSMETIC TREATMENT	Care to improve a person's looks
COSTOCHONDRITIS	Painful swelling of the muscles between the ribs
COWDEN SYNDROME	A condition from birth that causes many small growths that are not cancerous

C-PEPTIDE	A protein made by the body that helps carry sugar into cells
CRANIAL BANDING	A head piece used to shape a baby's head
CRANIAL MOLDING ORTHOSIS	A head piece used to shape a baby's head
CRANIAL REMOLDING HELMET	A head piece used to shape a baby's head
CRANIAL VAULT ASYMMETRY	A person's skull is not a normal shape
CRANIOTOMY	A surgery where the skull is opened
CROHN'S DISEASE	A long-term condition causing painful swelling from the mouth through the large bowel
C-TELOPEPTIDE (CTX)	A special lab test to check bone mass
CUBITAL TUNNEL SYNDROME	A condition caused by pressure on a nerve in the elbow
CUSTODIAL CARE	A service to help with the daily activities
CUSTOM	Made specially for a person
CUSTOM ORTHOTICS	Shoe inserts that are made specially for a person
CYSTIC FIBROSIS	A condition that causes the lungs to be filled with thick, sticky mucus
CYSTITIS	Swelling of the bladder
CYSTOCELE	A condition that causes the bladder to bulge into the birth canal
CYSTOSCOPY	A special test to look inside of the bladder
CYST	A closed sac growing in the body that is not normal
DAYTIME SOMNOLENCE	A condition causing a person to be very sleepy in the day
DEBRIDEMENT	A treatment to remove damaged tissue to help healing
DECUBITUS ULCER	A bed sore
DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS (DVT)	A blood clot in the leg
DEFORMITY	A body part that is not of normal shape
DEGENERATIVE DISC DISEASE (DDD)	The wearing down of the gel pads between the back bones
DEGENERATIVE JOINT DISEASE (DJD)	A group of long-term conditions causing the joints in the body to break down
DELAYED MILESTONE	A condition when a child is slower to learn tasks than other children the same age

DEMENTIA	A long-term condition that causes loss of the ability to think
DEPRESSION	Long periods of sadness
DE QUERVAIN'S TENOSYNOVITIS	A condition causing pain and swelling in the thumb
DERMATITIS	Swelling of the skin
DERMATOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats problems of the skin
DERMATOMYOSITIS	A condition that causes weak muscles and a skin rash
DERMATOPHYTOSIS	Ringworm
DEVELOPMENT	How the body grows
DEVELOPMENTAL APHASIA	A long-term condition causing problems talking due to brain damage
DEVELOPMENTAL ASSESSMENT	A test to see how well a child is learning and growing
DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY	A condition when a child learns and grows slower than other condition their age
DEVELOPMENTAL PEDIATRICIAN	A special doctor who treats children who learn and grow slower than normal
DEVELOPMENTAL TESTING	A special exam to see how well a child is learning and growing
DEVIATED NASAL SEPTUM	A condition in which the wall in the middle of the nose is not straight
DEXTROCARDIA	A condition where the heart is on the right side of the chest instead of the left
DIABETES	A long-term condition that causes too much sugar in blood
DIABETIC NEUROPATHY	Nerve damage caused by high levels of sugar in blood
DIALYSIS	A treatment used to clean blood
DIAPER	Special underwear that helps protect the skin
DIARRHEA	Watery, loose stool
DIGESTIVE TRACT	The body parts from the mouth to the opening where stool comes out
DILATION AND CURETTAGE (D & C)	A surgery to scrape the lining of the womb
DISC	The gel pad between the back bones
DISC DECOMPRESSION	A surgery to lessen pressure of the gel pads between the back bones

DISCECTOMY	A surgery to remove part of a gel pad between the back bones
DOPPLER	A moving picture of the inside of the body
DORSAL COLUMN STIMULATOR	A device placed near the backbone used to treat long-term pain
DOWN SYNDROME	A condition present at birth that causes a wide face and slow learning
DROWSINESS	Sleepiness
DRY EYE SYNDROME	A condition of not enough tears in the eyes
DUODENAL ULCER	A sore in the upper part of the small bowel
DUPLEX DOPPLER TEST	A test to show how blood moves through blood vessels
DUPLEX ULTRASOUND	A test to show how blood moves through blood vessels
DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	items or devices to help a person with a health problem
DYNASPLINT	A special brand of brace that will gently stretch muscles
DYSARTHRIA	A long-term condition causing speech problems after the brain has been injured
DYSCROMIA	A change in the color of the skin
DYSFUNCTIONAL UTERINE BLEEDING (DUB)	Bleeding from the womb that is not normal
DYSLEXIA	A condition that makes it hard to read
DYSLIPIDEMIA	High levels of fat in blood
DYSMENORRHEA	More pain than is normal during a woman's period
DYSPEPSIA	Upset stomach after eating
DYSPHAGIA	A problem swallowing
DYSPHONIA	A problem with normal speaking
DYSPNEA	Shortness of breath
DYSPRAXIA	A condition that causes a child to be clumsy
DYSURIA	Trouble emptying the bladder
ECCHYMOSIS	A bruise
ECHOCARDIOGRAM	A test where pictures are taken of the heart
ECTODERMAL DYSPLASIA	A condition when the skin, hair and nail growth is not normal

ECZEMA	A condition that causes red itchy skin
EDEMA	Swelling caused by too much fluid in the body
ELECTRIC BREAST PUMP	A machine that collects breast milk
ELECTRICAL STIMULATION	The use of electric currents to make muscles stronger
ELECTROCARDIOGRAM (EKG)	A test to record heart activity
ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAM (EEG)	A test to record brain activity
ELECTROMYOGRAPHY (EMG)	A test to record muscle activity
ELECTROPHYSIOLOGICAL TEST	A test to record heart activity
EMOLLIENT	A cream or lotion to help with skin problems
EMPHYSEMA	A condition that causes trouble breathing
END STAGE RENAL DISEASE (ESRD)	A condition when the kidneys do not work well
ENDOCARDITIS	Inflammation of the inside lining of the heart chambers and heart valves
ENDOCRINOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats gland problems
ENDOMETRIAL ABLATION	A procedure to remove the lining of the womb
ENDOMETRIAL HYPERPLASIA	A thicker than normal lining of the womb
ENDOMETRIOSIS	A condition where the tissue that lines the womb grows outside the womb
ENDOSCOPY	A test using a scope to look inside a part of the body
ENDOVENOUS LASER ABLATION	A treatment to remove damaged veins using a special light
ENTERAL THERAPY	Liquid food given through a tube
ENTERITIS	Swelling of the small bowel
EPIDURAL INJECTION	A procedure to put drugs into the space between the back bones to block pain
EPIGASTRIC PAIN	Pain in the mid-stomach area
EPILEPSY	A condition caused by electric currents in the brain that are not normal
EPWORTH SLEEPINESS SCALE	A test used to see how sleepy a person is during the day
EQUINUS FOOT DEFORMITY	A foot problem that causes a person to walk on tiptoes
ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION	When a man is not able to keep the male sex organ firm

ESOPHAGEAL REFLUX	A condition that causes stomach acid to go into the throat and cause pain
ESOPHAGEAL ULCER	A sore in the food pipe
ESOPHAGITIS	The condition where the food pipe is swollen due to stomach acid
ESOPHAGOGASTRODUODENOSCOPY (EGD)	A test using a scope to look inside the body from the mouth to the small bowel
ESOPHAGOSCOPY	A test using a scope to look at the inside of the food pipe
ESOPHAGUS	Food pipe
ESSURE	A procedure to keep a woman from getting pregnant
EVALUATION	A group of tests done to tell a person what treatment is needed
EXCISION	A surgery to cut out something in the body
EXOPHTHALMOS	A condition that causes the eyes to bulge
EXOSTOSIS	A bony growth on the foot
EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE DISORDER	A condition that causes a person to have trouble speaking
FAILURE TO THRIVE	A condition when a child has low weight for their age
FALLOPIAN TUBES	Small vessels that carry the egg cells to the womb
FATIGUE	Lack of energy
FECAL INCONTINENCE	a condition when a person leaks stool
FEMUR FRACTURE	a broken thigh bone
FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME (FAS)	a condition where a child has problems when the mother drank too much while pregnant
FETUS	An unborn baby
FIBROADENOMA	A lump in the breast
FIBROMYALGIA	A condition that causes muscle pain and weakness
FLUOROSCOPY	A moving picture of the inside of the body
FOOD ALLERGY	A reaction from eating certain foods that may cause a rash and swelling

FOOT DROP	A condition that causes problems lifting the front part of the foot
FOOT PRONATION	Is a condition where the foot turns outward at the ankle
FORESKIN	The fold of skin that covers the head of the male sex organ
FRAGILE X SYNDROME	A form of mental illness that may have been passed on by parents
FRENULECTOMY	A surgery to cut a piece of tissue from under the tongue
FRENULUM	The tissue that attaches the tongue to the mouth
FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY EVALUATION	A group of tests to see how well the body and muscles work
FURUNCLE	A boil or painful swelling of the skin
GALLBLADDER	The sac under the liver that holds the fluid for breaking down fats
GALLSTONE	A pebble in the sac under the liver that holds the fluid for breaking down fats
GANGLION	A hard sac filled with fluid on the wrist or fingers
GANGRENE	A condition caused by death of body tissue from lack of blood flow
GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY	A surgery to help a person lose weight
GASTRIC ULCER	A sore in the lining of the stomach
GASTRITIS	Pain and swelling of the lining of the stomach
GASTRODUODENITIS	Swelling of the stomach and the small bowel
GASTROENTEROLOGIST	A special doctor who treats problems with the stomach or bowel
GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE (GERD)	A condition that causes stomach acid to go into the throat and cause pain
GASTROINTESTINAL BLEEDING	A loss of blood inside the body anywhere from the food pipe to the bowels
GASTROPARESIS	A condition that causes food to stay in the stomach longer than normal
GASTROSTOMY	A surgery to make an opening in the stomach
GENERAL ANESTHESIA	Drugs used to put a person to sleep
GENERIC DRUG	A medicine that has no brand name

GENETIC TESTING	A group of blood tests done to see what traits have been passed to a person from the parents
GENETICS	The study of how traits are passed from parents to their children
GENETICIST	A special doctor who studies how traits are passed from parents to their children
GENITAL CONDYLOMA	A condition that causes warts on the sex organs
GENITAL HERPES	A condition that causes sores on the sex organs
GINGIVECTOMY	A surgery to remove part of the gums in the mouth
GLAUCOMA	A condition that causes increased pressure in the eye
GLUCOSE TOLERANCE	A test that measures the body's response to sugar
GOUT	A painful condition caused by crystals in the joint fluid
GRANULOMA ANNULARE	A condition that causes a rash of red ring-like spots on the feet or hands
GROWTH HORMONE DEFICIENCY (GHD)	A shortage of a chemical in the body that helps a person grow
GROWTH HORMONE STIMULATION TEST	A blood test that measures the chemical in the body that helps a person grow
GYNECOMASTIA	A condition when a male has breasts than are larger than normal
HALLUX VALGUS CORRECTION	A surgery to straighten the big toe
HAMMER TOE	A condition when a toe is bent at the middle joint
HEARING AID	A small device to help a person hear better
HEART CATHETERIZATION	A procedure to check for blockages in the heart
HEART MURMUR	An unusual sound heard during a heartbeat
HEARTBURN	A painful burning sensation in the chest
HEEL SPUR	A small growth of bone on the back of the foot
HELICOBACTER PYLORI (H PYLORI) BACTERIA	A germ that causes stomach problems
HEMANGIOMA	An unusual buildup of blood vessels in the skin
HEMATEMESIS	Vomiting blood
HEMIPARESIS	Weakness on one side of the body

HEMIPLEGIA	Loss of movement on one side of the body
HEMODIALYSIS (HD)	A treatment that uses a special machine to clean blood
HEMOGLOBIN (HGB)	The amount of red cells in blood
HEMOGLOBIN A1C	A test that measures the amount of sugar in blood over time
HEMOPHILIA	A problem when blood takes a long time to clot
HEMORRHOIDS	Swollen, painful veins where stool exits the body
HEPATITIS C	Swelling of the liver caused by an infection
HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA (HCC)	Liver cancer
HEPATOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats liver problems
HERNIA	A condition when an organ bulges through the muscle wall near it
HERNIATED DISC	A bulging of a gel pad between the bones in the spine
HIATAL HERNIA	A condition when part of the stomach bulges into the chest wall
HIDA (HEPATOBIILIARY IMINODIACETIC ACID) SCAN	A special test to measure the fluid from the liver to the small bowel
HIP HEMIARTHROPLASTY	A surgery to replace part of the hip
HIRSCHSPRUNG’S DISEASE	A condition from birth of the large bowel causing problems passing stool
HIRSUTISM	A condition causing too much hair growth in women that is not normal
HIVE	A raised, itchy area of skin
HOLTER MONITOR	A type of portable heart monitor
HOME INFUSION	A service to give medicine through a blood vessel to a person at home
HORMONE	A chemical made by a cell or organ to help the body work right
HORMONE REPLACEMENT	Drugs that act like chemicals made by cells or organs to help the body work right
HOSPICE CARE	End of life care
HOYER LIFT	A mobile device that can move a person from one place to another

HUMAN LEUKOCYTE ANTIGEN (HLA) TYPING	A blood test to see if a person is a match for a transplant
HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV)	A virus that may lead to cancer
HUMERUS	A bone in the upper arm
HUNTER SYNDROME	A condition from birth that happens when a protein the body needs does not work right
HYDROCEPHALUS	Water on the brain
HYPERACTIVITY	When a person cannot sit still and moves around a lot
HYPERAMMONEMIA	High levels of amonia in blood
HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY (HBOT)	A treatment to increase the amount of oxygen in the blood for healing
HYPERCALCEMIA	High levels of calcium in blood
HYPERCHOLESTEROLEMIA	High levels of fat in blood
HYPEREMESIS	Severe vomiting
HYPEREMESIS GRAVIDARUM	Severe vomiting during pregnancy
HYPERGLYCEMIA	High levels of sugar in blood
HYPERKERATOSIS	A thickening of the skin
HYPERLIPIDEMIA	High levels of fats in blood
HYPERPARATHYROIDISM	A condition that causes high levels of calcium in blood
HYPERPHOSPHATEMIA	High levels of phosphate in blood
HYPERPIGMENTATION	A condition that causes the skin to become darker
HYPERPROLACTINEMIA	High levels of a chemical in blood that fills a woman's breasts with milk
HYPERPRONATION	The inward turning of the foot
HYPERSONNIA	A condition that makes a person sleep too much
HYPERTENSION	High blood pressure
HYPERTRIGLYCERIDEMIA	High levels of fat in blood
HYPERTROPIA	A condition that causes an eye to turn in and up
HYPOGLYCEMIA	Low level of sugar in blood
HYPOGONADISM	A condition that causes the sex glands to not work right
HYPOPIGMENTATION	The loss of skin color

HYPOPLASTIC LEFT HEART SYNDROME	A condition which the left side of the heart does not develop right
HYPOTHYROIDISM	A condition when a gland in the neck does not work right
HYPOTONIA	A condition when the muscles are weak
HYSTERECTOMY	A surgery to remove the womb
HYSTEOSALPINGOGRAPHY	A special picture of the womb and vessels that carry eggs
HYSTEOSCOPY	A special test to look inside the womb
IMMUNE GLOBULIN	A substance in the blood that fights illness
IMMUNE SYSTEM	The organs and cells that fight disease
IMMUNODEFICIENCY	A condition when the body cannot fight disease
IMMUNOSUPPRESSION	A drug or condition that keeps the body from fighting disease
IMPETIGO	A skin infection
IMPLANT	A man-made item that is placed inside of the body
IMPOTENCE	A condition when the male sex organ doesn't stay firm during sex
INCONTINENCE	A condition when urine or stool leaks
INDIGESTION	An upset stomach
INFARCTION	Tissue death caused by no blood supply
INFECTION	A condition when germs enter the body and cause disease
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE (IBD)	A group of conditions that cause swelling of the large and small bowels
INFUSION PUMP	A device that gives a person a set amount of drugs into a blood vessel
INFUSION THERAPY	A treatment to give drugs or fluid through a vein
INSOMNIA	Problems falling and staying asleep
INSULIN	A chemical in blood which carries sugar into the cells
INSULIN PUMP	A small device in the body that gives a certain amount of a chemical
INTERNATIONAL NORMALIZED RATIO (INR)	A test to see how blood clots
INTERNIST	A special doctor who treats adults

INTERSTITIAL CYSTITIS	A long-term swelling of the bladder wall
INTERVERTEBRAL DISC	A gel pad between the bones of the spine
INTOEING	A condition when the feet turn inward
INTRACRANIAL ARTERIOVENOUS MALFORMATION	Problems with blood vessels in the brain
INTRAOCULAR LENS	A small plastic device placed in the eye
INTRAVENOUS	Into the vein
INTRAVENOUS HYDRATION	A treatment in which fluid is put into the veins
INTRA-UTERINE DEVICE (IUD)	A small device placed in the womb to keep a woman from getting pregnant
JAUNDICE	Yellowish color to the skin
KELOID	A thick, raised scar
KERATITIS	A condition caused by swelling of the front part of the eye
KERATODERMA	A condition that causes the skin to grow thick and hornlike
KERATOPLASTY	A surgery to replace the clear front tissue of the eye
KERATOSIS	Rough bumps on the skin
KIDNEY	The organ that cleans blood and makes urine
KIDNEY STONES	Pebbles in the organ that cleans blood and makes urine
LABRAL TEAR	A shoulder joint injury
LAP BAND SURGERY	A surgery that places a small ring around the stomach to help lose weight
LAPAROSCOPY	A procedure using a special scope to look inside the belly
LARYNGOSCOPY	A procedure using a special scope to look inside the throat
LASER	A special light used to cut or burn tissue
LATERAL EPICONDYLITIS	A condition that causes pain and swelling of the elbow
LEARNING DISORDER	A condition that makes it hard for a person to take in new information
LEGG-CALVES-PERTHES DISEASE	A condition where the thigh bone in the hip does not get enough blood causing it to die
LESION	Body tissue that is not normal

LEUKEMIA	A group of cancer types that affects the white blood cells
LEUKOCYTOPENIA	A low number of white cells in blood
LEVEL II ULTRASOUND	A special picture of a baby inside the womb using sound waves
LIFT CHAIR	A special chair that helps a person stand up
LIGAMENT	The tissue that connects the bones together
LIPECTOMY	A surgery to take off extra fat
LIPOMA	A growth made of fat
LOW TESTOSTERONE	A condition when a person has a low level of a male chemical
LUMBAGO	A condition when the lower back hurts
LUMBAR DISCOGRAM	A special x-ray of the lower back
LUMBAR FACET SYNDROME	A condition when the small joints in the lower back cause pain
LUMBAR RADICULITIS	A condition caused by painful swelling of the nerves in the lower back
LUMBAR SACRAL ORTHOSIS	A brace for the lower back
LUMBAR SPINE EPIDURAL INJECTIONS	Shots of a drug into the lower back to help relieve pain
LUMBAR SPONDYLOSIS	Wear and tear of the lower back bones
LUMBAR SPRAIN	An injury to the tissue that connects the bones in the lower back
LUPUS	A condition that causes the body to attack its own healthy organs
LYMPH NODES	Small oval sacs that store cells that fight infection
LYMPHEDEMA	When the small oval sacs that store cells that fight infection swell in the arms or legs
LYMPHOMA	A cancer of the small oval sacs that store cells that fight infection
LYNCH SYNDROME	Inherited cancer of the digestive tract
MACROCEPHALY	A condition when the head is larger than normal
MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANGIOGRAM (MRA)	A special picture of blood vessels
MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)	A special picture of the inside of the body
MALAISE	Not feeling well

MALARIA	A condition caused by a bite from an infected mosquito
MALIGNANT	Cancerous
MALNUTRITION	When the body does not get enough nutrients
MAMMOGRAM	A special picture of the breast
MAPLE SYRUP URINE DISEASE	A condition from birth in which the body cannot break down some proteins
MARFAN SYNDROME	A condition from birth which affects muscles and nerves
MASTECTOMY	A surgery to remove a breast
MASTODYNIA	Pain in the breast
MASTOPEXY	A surgery to lift or reshape breasts
MELANOMA	The most serious type of skin cancer
MELASMA	A brown area on the skin caused by too much sun
MENIERE’S DISEASE	A condition of the inner ear with dizziness and ringing
MENOPAUSE	When a woman stops having periods
MENORRHAGIA	Painful periods with heavy bleeding
METABOLISM	The way the body changes food into energy
METHICILLIN-RESISTANT STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS (MRSA)	A bad germ
MICKEY BUTTON	A special cover for the feeding tube site
MIGRAINE	Severe headache
MITRAL VALVE	Tissue that separates the two chambers on the left side of the heart
MITROCHONDIAL DISORDER	A condition when the cells in the body cannot make energy
MOHS SURGERY	A special surgery to remove skin cancer
MOLECULAR BREAST IMAGING (MBI)	A special test to find cancer in the breast
MOLLUSCUM CONTAGIOSUM	A common skin infection that causes raised bumps
MONITORED ANESTHESIA CARE (MAC)	A service used to put a person in a light sleep during a small surgery
MONONEURITIS	Painful swelling of a single nerve
MORBID OBESITY	Being dangerously heavier than normal for one’s height

MOTOR NEURON DISEASE	A group of diseases of the nerves that control muscle movement
MULTIPLE MYELOMA	A type of cancer found in the soft tissue inside the bone
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (MS)	A condition when the body attacks the covering of the nerves
MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY	A group of conditions from birth that cause the muscles to weaken
MUTATIONS	Changes that are not normal to the building blocks of cells
MYALGIA	Muscle pain
MYCOTIC TOENAILS	A condition of the toenails caused by a fungus infection
MYELOFIBROSIS	A condition of the soft tissue inside the bone causing blood cells not to form right
MYELOMENINGOCELE	A defect in which the back bones do not close before birth and the spinal cord is exposed
MYELOPATHY	A gradual loss of nerve function due to spinal problems
MYOPATHY	A muscle disease
MYOPIA	A condition when a person can only see close objects clearly
MYOSITIS	Painful swelling of the muscles
MYOTONIC DYSTROPHY	A group of conditions that cause long-lasting muscle stiffness
NARCOLEPSY	A condition causing sudden attacks of sleep during the day
NAUSEA	A sick feeling in the stomach
NEBULIZER	A small machine that turns liquid drugs into a mist to inhale
NEONATAL SCREENING	Tests done to check if a baby has any serious problems
NEOPLASM	A mass of tissue that is not normal
NEPHRECTOMY	A surgery to remove the organ that cleans the blood and makes urine
NERVE BLOCK	A shot of medicine that stops pain and feeling to an area of the body
NERVE CONDUCTION STUDY (NCS)	A special test to measure nerve response

NEURAL TUBE DEFECT	A condition from birth due to problems with the brain or spinal cord
NEURALGIA	Nerve pain
NEURITIS	Painful nerve swelling
NEUROBLASTOMA	A type of cancer found in nerve cells
NEUROFIBROMATOSIS	A condition from birth that causes tumors to grow on nerves
NEUROGENIC	Related to a nerve problem
NEUROLOGIC DEFICIT	A condition where the brain and nerves do not work right
NEUROLOGICAL	Related to brain and nerve function
NEUROLOGIST	A special doctor who treats brain and nerve problems
NEUROMUSCULAR DISEASE	A condition that causes nerve and muscle problems
NEUROPATHY	Pain caused by nerve damage
NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING	A group of tests used to study the way a person's brain works
NEUROPSYCHOLOGIST	A special doctor who studies how the brain works
NEUROSURGEON	A special doctor who treats the brain and spine
NEUTROPENIA	A lower than normal level of white blood cells
NEVUS	A spot on the skin present at birth
NOCTURIA	A condition of having to urinate at night
NOCTURNAL ENURESIS	A condition of passing of urine while asleep
NOCTURNAL HYPOXIA	A condition of short periods of not breathing while asleep
NODULE	A solid growth of tissue that is not normal
NON-UNION FRACTURE	A broken bone that will not heal
NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA	A type of cancer when blood has too many white cells
NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY (NSAID)	A group of drugs used to reduce pain and swelling
NUCHAL TRANSLUCENCY TEST	A test to see if an unborn baby has a special problem
NUCLEAR STRESS TEST	A test to measure heart activity after a drug is given

NUMBNESS	Loss of feeling
NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS	Extra food and vitamins to make the body healthy
NUTRITIONIST	A person who knows about healthy food choices
OBESITY	Being much heavier than normal for one's height
OBSTETRICIAN	A special doctor who treats pregnant women
OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA	A condition of short periods of not breathing while asleep
OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP DISORDER	A condition of short periods of not breathing while asleep
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	Treatment to help a person with things they do every day
ONCOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats cancer
ONYCHOMYCOSIS	A condition of the nails caused by a fungus infection
OPEN REDUCTION INTERNAL FIXATION (ORIF)	A surgery to fix a broken bone using hardware
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats the eyes
OPIATE DEPENDENCE	A strong need to use heroin-like drugs because a person feels sick and has pain without it
OPTIC NEURITIS	The swelling of the main nerve in the eye
OPTOMETRIST	A special doctor who treats vision problems
ORAL SURGEON	A special doctor who treats teeth and jaw problems
ORBITS	The bones around the eyeball
ORCHIOPEXY	A surgery to move part of the male sex organ into the right place
ORTHOPEDIC SHOES	Special shoes to help fix problems with feet
ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON	A special doctor who treats bone problems
ORTHOPEDIST	A special doctor who treats bone problems
ORTHOTICS	Inserts for the shoes
OSGOOD-SCHLATTER DISEASE	A condition causing painful lumps below the knee in young children
OSTECTOMY	A surgery to remove a bone
OSTEOARTHRITIS	A long-term condition causing painful swelling in the joints

OSTEOARTHRISIS	A long-term condition due to wear and tear of the joints
OSTEOCHONDROSIS	A condition causing painful lumps below the knee in young children
OSTEOPENIA	A condition when the bone begins to thin and lose mass
OSTEOPOROSIS	A long-term condition caused by loss of bone mass
OTITIS MEDIA	A condition of swelling in the middle ear
OVARY	A female sex organ that makes and stores egg cells
OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR	A special machine that makes air to breathe
OXYGEN SATURATION	The level of air in blood needed to maintain life
PACEMAKER	A small device placed under the skin that helps the heart beat normally
PALPITATIONS	A condition when the heart beats fast and hard
PANCREAS	An organ that makes chemicals and proteins to help the body break down food
PANCREATITIS	A condition that causes swelling in the organ that helps digest food
PAP SMEAR	A test to check for changes in the lower part of the womb
PARALYSIS	Loss of muscle function in one or more muscles
PARATHYROIDECTOMY	A surgery to remove the glands in the neck
PARESTHESIA	A feeling of numbness and tingling on the skin
PARKINSON'S DISEASE	A condition of the brain that leads to shaking and slow movement
PATELLA	The knee cap
PATENT FORAMEN OVALE	A hole in a newborn baby's heart that is not normal
PATHOLOGY REPORT	A list of what was found in tissue removed from the body
PECTUS EXCAVATUM	A condition present from birth where the chest is caved in
PENOSCROTAL FUSION	A condition from birth where the male sex organ is joined to the sac behind it
PEPTIC ULCER DISEASE	The breakdown of the lining in the stomach

PERCUTANEOUS TRANSCATHETER CLOSURE	A surgery to close a hole in the heart
PERICARDITIS	Painful swelling of the sac around the heart
PERINATOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats high risk pregnancies
PERIPHERAL NEUROPATHY	A painful condition of the nerves due to damage or disease
PERIPHERAL VASCULAR DISEASE	A condition of the vessels that carry blood to the legs and feet narrow
PERITONEAL DIALYSIS	A treatment that uses a machine to clean the blood
PERSONAL CARE ITEM	A product used to clean or care for one's own body
PES PLANUS	Flat feet
PESSARY	A plastic device that holds the womb in place
PHIMOSIS	A condition when the foreskin of the male sex organ cannot be pulled back
PHOTODYNAMIC THERAPY	The use of special lights to treat an illness
PHYSICAL THERAPY	Special exercises that will help make the muscles stronger
PHYSIOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT	The physical growth of a child
PLAGIOCEPHALY	A condition where the skull is flatter on one side than the other
PLANTAR FASCIITIS	A condition of painful swelling of the tissue under the foot
PLANTAR FIBROMATOSIS	A condition where painful bumps grow in the bottom of the foot
PLASMAPHERESIS	A treatment to clean blood
PLASTIC SURGEON	A special doctor who does surgery to change a person's looks
PLATELET	A piece of a blood cell that forms clots to stop bleeding
PLATFORM SWING	A special hanging device to help children with things they feel, see, and hear
PNEUMONIA	A lung infection
PNEUMONITIS	Swelling of the lungs
PNEUMOTHORAX	A collection of air in the space around the lungs
PODIATRIST	A special doctor who treats foot problems

POLIO	An infection that affects nerves and can cause muscles to not work
POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE	A condition from birth that causes growths in the organ that cleans the blood and makes urine
POLYCYTHEMIA	A condition of having too many red blood cells
POLYDACTYLY	A condition from birth of having extra toes or fingers
POLYNEUROPATHY	Pain caused by damage to many nerves
POLYSOMNOGRAM STUDY	A test done to see how a person breathes when asleep
POLYURIA	A condition when a person makes too much urine
POSITRON EMISSION TOMOGRAPHY (PET) SCAN	A test that uses a special dye to take a picture of the inside of the body
POST HERPETIC NEUROPATHY	A condition of nerve pain caused by a virus
POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD)	A condition of high levels of fear and worry from a shocking event
POSTHITIS	A condition of painful swelling on the tip of the male sex organ
POSTURAL DRAINAGE	A treatment to clear the lungs by moving the body in a downward position
POSTURAL HYPOTENSION	Low blood pressure when rising from lying or sitting down
PREMATURE BIRTH	A baby born before 37 weeks of pregnancy
PREMENSTRUAL SYNDROME (PMS)	Mood changes and body pain before a period
PRESSURE ULCER	An open wound from being in one position too long
PRIMARY CILIARY DYSKINESIA	A condition present at birth where hair-like structures in the lungs do not work right
PRIMARY LATERAL SCLEROSIS	A brain disease that causes muscle weakness
PROCTOSIGMOIDOSCOPY	A procedure to look at the inside a small part of the large bowel
PROPHYLACTIC MASTECTOMY	A surgery to remove breast tissue to lower the risk of breast cancer
PROSTATITIS	The condition caused by swelling of a male sex organ
PROSTHESIS	A body part made for one person to replace a missing part

PSORIASIS	A condition of red, dry patches of skin
PSORIATIC ARTHRITIS	A condition causing painful joint swelling with red, dry patches of skin
PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION	A visit with a special doctor to see how a person thinks and feels
PSYCHOLOGICAL TREATMENT	A service to help a person cope with their emotions and thoughts
PTERYGIUM	A growth on the white part of the eye
PULMONARY EMBOLISM	A blood clot in the lungs
PULMONARY FUNCTION TEST	A test to see how well the lungs work
PULMONARY INSUFFICIENCY	A condition where a valve in the heart does not work right
PULMONARY STENOSIS	A condition in which the flow of blood from the heart to the lungs is slowed down
PULSE OXIMETER	A device that measures the gas in blood that maintains life
QUADRIPARESIS	Weakness of both arms and legs
QUADRIPLEGIA	Inability to use both arms and legs
RACZ PROCEDURE	A procedure to help relieve pain in the spine
RADIATION	A treatment used to kill cancer cells
RADICULITIS	Painful swelling of a nerve
RADICULOPATHY	A group of conditions when one or more nerves do not work right
RADIOALLERGOSORBENT (RAST) TEST	A special blood test to see if a person reacts to something
RADIOFREQUENCY ABLATION (RFA)	A treatment used to destroy tissue
RADIOLOGIST	A special doctor who looks at pictures of the inside of the body
RAYNAUD'S SYNDROME	A condition that causes parts of the body to become numb and cool
REACTIVE AIRWAY DISEASE (RAD)	A group of conditions that cause problems breathing
RECEPTIVE EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE DISORDER	A condition that causes problems talking and knowing what is being said
RECTOCELE	When the end of the large bowel bulges into the female sex organ
RECTUM	The end of the large bowel
REDUCTION MAMMOPLASTY	A surgery to make the breasts smaller

REDUNDANT FORESKIN	Extra foreskin on the male sex organ
REFLEX SYMPATHETIC DYSTROPHY (RSD)	A condition that causes painful swelling and skin changes
REFLEX	When the body moves by itself in reaction to something
REHABILITATION	A set of exercises to help the body heal and return to normal
REMISSION	The time when a long-term disease is not active
RENAL FAILURE	A condition when the organs that clean the blood and make urine stop working
REPOSITIONING THERAPY	Turning a sleeping baby often to help reshape the head
RESPIRATORY FAILURE	A condition when the organs that help a person breathe stop working
RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (RSV)	A virus that can cause breathing problems in babies and small children
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM	The set of organs that help a person breathe
RESTLESS LEG SYNDROME (RLS)	An urge to move the legs while at rest
RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS	A long-term condition that causes painful swelling of small joints
RHEUMATOLOGIST	A special doctor who treats diseases in which a body attacks its own cells
RHINECTOMY	A surgery to remove part of the nose
RHINITIS	Swelling of the airways in the nose
RHINOPLASTY	A surgery to change the shape of the nose
RHIZOTOMY	A surgery to destroy problematic nerves
RANGE OF MOTION (ROM)	The normal way a joint moves
ROSACEA	A long-term condition causing redness and bumps on the face
ROTATOR CUFF	A group of muscles that hold the shoulder in place
SCIATICA	A condition causing pain from the lower back to the leg due to a pinched nerve
SCLERODERMA	A long term skin condition caused by the body attacking its own cells
SCLEROSIS	Hardening of a body part
SCLEROTHERAPY	A treatment used for making swollen veins smaller

SCOLIOSIS	A condition that causes the spine to curve in a way that is not normal
SEAT LIFT MECHANISM	A device that helps a person stand up from a sitting position
SEBORRHEA CAPITIS	A condition causing flaky, white patches of skin on the scalp
SEBORRHEIC DERMATITIS	A condition causing flaky, white patches of skin on the scalp
SEDATION	A condition of being calm and relaxed due to the effect of a drug
SEIZURES	A change in the way a person acts or moves that is not normal due to a brain problem
SENSORY INTEGRATION	A treatment to help a person understand the things they see, feel, hear, taste, and smell
SEPARATION ANXIETY	A condition causing severe stress when being away from the main caregiver
SEPTOPLASTY	A surgery to fix the middle of the nose to help a person breathe better
SHINGLES	An infection from a virus that causes a painful rash with blisters
SHORT STATURE	A condition when a child is much shorter than other children of the same age
SHOWER CHAIR	A chair used to help keep a person safe while they take a shower
SHUNT	A device to drain fluid from an area of the body
SICKLE CELL ANEMIA	A condition from birth causing too many red blood cells that are not normal
SIMPLY THICK	A brand of powder used to make liquids more solid
SINGLE PHOTON EMISSION COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (SPECT) SCAN	A special kind of picture that measures blood flow to organs or tissue
SINUSITIS	A condition of swelling in the air spaces in the skull
SKIN TAG	A small piece of extra tissue that grows on the body
SLEEP APNEA	A condition that causes a person to stop breathing when asleep
SLEEP DISORDER	A condition that causes a person to have trouble sleeping

SLEEP STUDY	A test done to see how a person breathes when asleep
SLING OPERATION	A surgery to keep the bladder in place
SMARTVEST AIRWAY CLEARANCE SYSTEM	A brand of device that helps clear the lungs of extra mucus
SPASM	The sudden tightening of a muscle that cannot be controlled
SPASTIC	A burst of muscle activity that cannot be controlled
SPEECH DELAY	A condition when a child cannot speak like children of the same age
SPEECH THERAPY	A service to help a person talk better
SPINA BIFIDA	A condition from birth due to problems with the brain or spinal cord
SPINAL CORD STIMULATOR	A device placed near the backbone used to treat long-term pain
SPINAL STENOSIS	Narrowing of the area that holds the spinal cord
SPIROMETRY	A test to see how well the lungs work
SPONDYLOLISTHESIS	A condition where one backbone is out of place
SPONDYLOSIS	Wear and tear of the backbone
STEATOHEPATITIS	A condition caused by too much fat in the liver
STENOSIS	A blood vessel or other body part that is too narrow to work right
STENT	A tiny tube placed in a blood vessel or duct to keep it open
STRABISUMUS	A condition that causes the eyes to be crossed
STRESS INCONTINENCE	A condition when urine leaks while coughing or moving around
STRESS TEST	A test used to evaluate blood flow to the heart during exercise
SUBLUXATION	A condition caused by a bone being out of place
SUPPORT HOSE	Special stockings
SUPRAVENTRICULAR TACHYCARDIA (SVT)	A condition that causes the heart to beat dangerously fast
SWEAT CHLORIDE TEST	A blood test to check for a lung problem causing thick mucus
SYNCOPE	Fainting

TACHYCARDIA	A heartbeat that is faster than normal
TALIPES VALGUS	A condition when the inner side of the foot rests on the ground
TEMPOROMANDIBULAR JOINT (TMJ) DISORDER	A group of conditions that cause pain in the jaw
TENDON	Tissue that connects muscle to bone
TENDONITIS	A condition caused by swelling of the tissue that connects muscle to bone
TETRALOGY OF FALLOT	A group of four types of heart problems present at birth
THORACOSCOPY	A procedure to look inside the chest using a special camera
THORACOTOMY	A surgery to cut into the chest wall
THROMBOCYTOPENIA	A condition when the blood has too few pieces of blood cells to form clots and stop bleeding
THYROID	A gland in the neck that makes chemicals the body needs to work right
THYROIDECTOMY	A surgery to take out the neck gland that makes chemicals which the body needs to work right
TINEA CORPORIS	Ringworm
TINEA PEDIS	Athlete's foot
TINEA VESICOLOR	A condition caused by a skin infection
TINNITUS	A ringing sound in the ears
TONSIL	Tissue at the back of the throat that helps fight infection
TONSILLECTOMY	A surgery to take out the tissue at the back of the throat that helps fight infection
TONSILLITIS	Swelling of the tissue at the back of the throat that helps fight infection
TORSION DYSTONIA	Painful twisting and tightening of muscles
TOTAL PARENTERAL NUTRITION (TPN)	A liquid given through a blood vessel to replace food
TRACHEA	Windpipe
TRACHEAL SUCTION CATHETER	A device used to remove mucus from the windpipe
TRACHEOSTOMY	A surgery to make an opening through the neck into the windpipe

TRACHEOSTOMY SPEAKING VALVES	A device used to help a person talk
TRACTION	The use of steady pulling force to treat muscle and bone problems
TRANSISCHEMIC ATTACK (TIA)	Small stroke
TRANSCUTANEOUS ELECTRICAL NERVE STIMULATION (TENS) UNIT	A device that uses an electric current to block pain
TRANSFER BENCH	A device used to help a person get in and out of a bathtub or shower
TRANSESOPHAGEAL ECHOCARDIOGRAM (TEE)	A test where pictures are taken of the heart through the food pipe
TRANSSEXUALISM	A condition where a person wants to be the other gender
TRAPEZE BAR	A device over a bed that helps a person to sit up or move around
TREMOR	Twitching of one or more parts of the body
TRIGGER POINTS	Muscle knots that cause pain
TRIGLYCERIDE	A type of fat in blood
TUBAL LIGATION	A surgery to stop pregnancy
TUMOR	A growth
TURBINATE REDUCTION	A surgery to the nasal airways to help a person breathe better
TYMPANOMETRY	A test to check for fluid in the middle ear
TYMPANOSTOMY	A surgery to place tubes inside the eardrum to drain fluid from the middle ear
ULCERATIVE COLITIS	A long-term condition of the bowel causing painful swelling and sores
ULTRASOUND	A special picture of the inside the body using sound waves
UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SERIES	A group of tests that look at the inside of the body from the food pipe to the small bowel
URETHRA	A tube in the body that drains urine from the bladder
URINARY OBSTRUCTION	A condition when the urine flow is blocked
URINARY TRACT INFECTION (UTI)	A condition caused by germs in the body parts that make and empty urine
URODYNAMIC TESTING	A test that checks how well the bladder holds and empties urine

UROLOGIST	A special doctor who treats the body parts that make and empty urine
URTICARIA	A rash
UTERINE ACTIVITY MONITOR	A device used to measure the movement of the baby in the womb
UTERINE FIBROIDS	Growths inside the womb that are not normal
UTERUS	Womb
VALGUS	A bone turned outward
VARICOSE VEINS	Blood vessels that are twisted and swollen
VARUS	A bone turned inward
VASCULITIS	A condition due to swelling of a blood vessel
VASECTOMY	A surgery on the male sex organ to prevent pregnancy
VENOUS INSUFFICIENCY	A condition when the blood vessels in the legs cannot return blood to the heart
VENTRICULAR SEPTAL DEFECT (VSD)	A hole in the heart that is not normal
VERTEBROPLASTY	A procedure to fix a broken backbone
VERTIGO	Dizziness
VESICoureTERAL REFLUX	A condition when urine flows back into the kidneys
VEST AIRWAY CLEARANCE SYSTEM	A device that helps clear the lungs of extra mucus
VESTIBULAR CUDDLE SWING	A special hanging device to help children to have better balance
VESTIBULAR PHYSICAL THERAPY	Special exercises that help a person have better balance
VIDEO CAPSULE ENDOSCOPY	A test using a small camera which is swallowed to look inside the body
VITILIGO	A condition in which the skin loses color causing white patches
VOIDING CYSToureTHROGRAM (VCUG)	A special picture of the bladder while a person urinates
VON WILLEBRAND DISEASE	A condition present from birth that causes bleeding that is not normal
WALKER	A metal, four-legged frame to help a person walk safely
WEIGHTED VEST	A type of clothing used to help a child calm down and learn better

WHEELCHAIR--HEAVY DUTY	A wheeled device for people that weigh over 250 pounds
WHEELCHAIR--POWER	A wheeled device with a motor that lets a person move around
WHEELCHAIR--STANDARD MANUAL	A device that lets a person move around while turning the wheels by hand
WHEEZING	A whistling sound during breathing caused by mucus
WOUND VAC	A special device that helps heal a large area of skin that has been cut or torn
XANTHELASMA	A condition that causes yellow bumps around the eyes
X-RAY	A special picture of the inside of the body
YEAST INFECTION	A condition caused by a fungus