

African American Community Health Practice Questions with Answers

MedlinePlus:

- **What is the Hgb S test? What is the normal value?**
Go to MedlinePlus
Type “Hgb S test” in the main search box
Click on the entry from the Medical Encyclopedia and look under “Normal Results”
- **Rosie would like a handout on Diabetes to take home. Where can she get one?**
Go to MedlinePlus
In the main search box, type “Diabetes”
Click on “Diabetes” on the main result page
Scroll down to the information boxes including Basics, Learn More, etc.
Under the box heading, “For You”, click on “Patient Handouts”
Select the handout of interest and Print
- **Is Zinc proven effective in the treatment of Wilson’s Disease?**
Go to MedlinePlus
Click on “Drugs & Supplements”
Under “Herbs and Supplements”, click on “All herbs and supplements”
Click on “XYZ”
Click on the second entry for “Zinc”
Click on “How effective is it?” and read entry for reference to Wilson’s Disease
- **Lee is having a CAT scan and wants to find interactive information on the procedure. Can you help him?**
Go to MedlinePlus
Click on “Videos & Cool Tools”
Click on “Interactive Tutorials”
Under “Tests and Diagnostic Procedures”, click on ‘CT Scan (CAT Scan)’
- **Genita takes St. John’s Wort for depression. She wants to know if there is scientific evidence for the use of this herb. Where can you find this information?**
Go to MedlinePlus
Click on “Drugs & Supplements”
Under “Herbs and Supplements”, click on “All herbs and supplements”
Click on “S”
Click on the second entry for “St. John’s Wort”
Click on “How effective is it?” and read entry for reference to Depression
- **Where can an overview on African American Health be found?**
Go to MedlinePlus
Click on “Health Topics”
Under “Demographic Groups”, click on “Population Groups”
Click on “African-American Health” for the main entry page

Other NLM Resources:

- **Are companies recruiting for African Americans with Diabetes in Washington, DC? If so, how many?**
Go to ClinicalTrials
Click on “Search for Clinical Trials”
Clicked on “Advanced Search”
Type “diabetes AND African American” in the main search box and “United States: District of Columbia” under “Locations”
Click on green “Recruiting” trials listed and scroll through information in each to confirm what the trial is for and then tally the number of relevant trials
- **Barbara is 70 years old and is nervous about her Diabetes diagnosis. Point her to some basic information that she can easily navigate online.**
Go to NIHSeniorHealth
Under “Health Topics by First Letter”, click “D”
Click on “Diabetes”
- **What is one acute health effect from Listerine Antiseptic Mouthwash?**
Go to Households Products Database
Under “Browse by Category”, click on “Personal Care”
Click on Oral Hygiene>Mouthwash>Listerine Antiseptic
Scroll to Health Effects
- **According to Genetics Home Reference, Sickle Cell Anemia occurs in:**
 - 1 in every 100 African Americans
 - 1 in every 500 African Americans
 - 1 in every 5,000 African AmericansGo to Genetics Home Reference
Click on “Genetic Conditions”
Under “Find a Disease by Category, click on “Blood/Lymphatic System” and scroll to Sickle Cell Disease
(or it is currently listed under “most often viewed” on the same page as “Find a Disease by Category”)
Scroll to “How Common is Sickle Cell Disease?”
1 in 500
- **Sydney wants information on HIV/AIDS specially related to African Americans. What resources would you recommend to her?**
Go to AIDSinfo
Click on “HIV/AIDS Health Topics” and select “Specific Populations” from the dropdown menu
Click on “Minorities”
Click on “African American HIV/AIDS Resources”

(Other good answers are Black Aids Institute, CDC’s HIV/AIDS and African Americans, and Office of Minority Health info among others)

Community Outreach Basics:

- **According to the NN/LM Public Libraries and Community Partners site, what is the role of public libraries with community partners?**
Go to NN/LM Public Libraries and Community Partners
Scroll to Overview of Community Health Information Programs
Scroll to “What is the role of public libraries with community partners?”
- **According to Healthy People Library Project, what are some tips for librarians who are interested in outreach?**
Go to Healthy People Library Project
Click on Outreach
Read for tips under “Outreach: Ideas and Models”
- **On the THRIVE website, what are the root factors that shape community environment?**
Go to THRIVE
Click on the “Community Health Approach” tab
Scroll to What Leads to Health Disparities?
Find root factors
- **According to the Community Toolbox, where can you find information about writing a grant application?**
Go to Community Toolbox
Click on “Do the Work”
Scroll to “Writing a Grant Application for Funding”