



CHIS Learning Plan

December 2020, January, February 2021 and beyond

Earn a health specialization certificate through free, online, self-paced classes from the Network of the National Library of Medicine.

What is CHIS?

CHIS stand for [Consumer Health Information Specialization](#), a program by the Medical Library Association (MLA). CHIS is recognition for the accomplishment of acquiring new health information skills through training about providing health information services to consumers.

NNLM provides free, online training in support of CHIS, and can sponsor your CHIS application or renewal fee, making this specialization completely free to you.

Once you've completed 12 credits of training, [fill out this form](#) to get your CHIS application fee sponsored by NNLM. Any library staff member or library student in the U.S. interested in providing health information to the public is eligible for sponsorship. As of December 2020, NNLM has 75 sponsorships available.

Why Get a CHIS?

Library workers know the value of accurate information. Enhance and expand your skills with evidence-based knowledge and resources that will make you a confident, expert provider of health information to your community. CHIS shows employers, colleagues, and the public that you are committed to offering quality consumer health information services, and to staying current with consumer health information resources, technologies, and services.

Contact

Contact your NNLM regional medical library – [Discover yours here](#).

How to Earn CHIS credits

Level 1	Level 2
12 hours of approved continuing education, must cover CHIS core competencies 1-5	12 additional hours of continuing education, cannot be classes you took to earn Level 1, must cover competencies 6-8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know the Community 2. Know the Health Consumer 3. Knowledge of Subject Matter and Existing Resources 4. Health Information Evaluation 5. Communication and Instruction 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Literacy and Health Literacy 7. Technology and Health 8. Ethical and Legal Issues

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You need 12 hours/credits to get a CHIS certificate.


















To get CHIS, follow this suggested plan.















- First, create an nnlm.gov account and register for NNLM classes.
 - [Directions for creating NNLM account \(PDF download\)](#)
- Second, take a class for Level 1 or Level 2
 - You must already be certified in CHIS Level 1 in order to apply for Level 2.
- Once you have finished a class, claim CE for it on Medlib-ed.org.
 - [Directions for claiming CE from Medlib-ed \(PDF download\)](#)
- Continue until you have gathered 12 credits
 - [Track your progress on this grid \(docx download\)](#)
- When you have taken all 12 credits, [request NNLM sponsorship of the CHIS application fee](#)
 - Direct link: <https://nnlm.gov/gmr/funding/chis-sponsorship>
- MLA Staff member will contact you regarding your CHIS Specialization within 6 weeks.














NNLM CHIS Grid

The table below lists all available NNLM CHIS classes and their format. Class formats include: live webinars, YouTube recordings, on-demand, and scheduled online classes. CE credit for recordings expire one year after date of webinar. Live webinars are recorded and posted to NNLM.gov. Email your regional medical library or contact nto@utah.edu with questions.

Course Title/Link	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8
 - Live Webinar  - YouTube recording – email us for evaluation & CE code  - On-demand, self-paced, online class in Moodle  - Scheduled online class in Moodle								
ABCs of DNA: Unraveling the Mystery of Genetics Information  Not currently scheduled = 8 credits								
Activate, Collaborate and Educate  Feb 23, 2021 - Register = 1 credit  Watch now (Apr 07, 2020) = 1 credit								
Beyond an Apple a Day  Jan 8 – Feb 12, 2021 - Almost full = 4 credits  Watch now (March 24, 2020) = 2 credits								

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Beyond the Binary  Jan 4 – Feb 1 – Register = 4 credits								
Caring for the Mind  March 16, 2021 - Register = 1 credit  Watch now (March 24, 2020) = 1 credit								
ClinicalTrials.gov  Not currently scheduled = 1 credit								
Consumer Health Collection Management On Demand  Take this = 4 credits <i>Opens January 11, 2021</i>								
Consumer Technology to Manage Personal Health Data  Not currently scheduled = 4 credits								
DNA to Z: Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing  Watch now = 1 credit								
Effective Health Communication and Health Literacy  Feb 16, 2021 - Register = 1 credit  Watch now (October 6, 2020) = 1 credit								
Food for Thought  Dec 17, 2020 - Register = 1 credit  Watch now (March 20, 2020) = 1 credit								
From A(ddiction) to Z(its)  Watch now (July 16, 2020) = 1 credit								
Getting Started with Information Outreach in Your Community  Watch now (July 9, 2020) = 1 credit								

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Getting the Right Information to Patients Using MedlinePlus Connect  Take this = 1 credit								
Health & Wellness @ the Library  Feb 8 - Mar 5, 2021 - Register = 12 credits								
Health Issues in the Headlines  Take this = 4 credits								
Healthy Aging at Your Library  April 9, 2021 - Register = 2 credits								
Introduction to Health Reference: Ethics and Best Practices  Take this = 4 credits								
Making Sense of Numbers  January 14, 2021 - Register = 1.5 credit								
MedlinePlus for Public Librarians  Take this = 1 credit								
Providing Multilingual and Multicultural Health Information  Feb 22 – Mar 22 – Register = 4 credits Watch now (June 2, 2020) = 1 credit								
PubMed Essentials  Take this = 1 credit								
Rural Health Resources  Watch now (Nov 2, 2020) = 1 credit								

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Serving Diverse Communities  Accessing Health Info in Multiple Languages = 1 credit  Building Cultural Competence and Humility into the Workplace = 1 credit  Finding Data on Health Disparities = 1 credit								
Stand Up for Health  Registration full = 12 credits								
The Importance of Digital Literacy  Watch now (February 17, 2020) = 1.5 credits								
Understanding the Opioid Crisis: Where do I begin?  Watch now (October 16th, 2020) = 1 credit								
Wellness in the Library Workplace  Registration full = 4 credits								
Wikipedia + Libraries: NNLM  Coming in Spring 2021 = 8 credits								
Will Duct Tape Cure My Warts?  Mar 1- April 11, 2021 - Register = 8 credits								

Watch the [NNLM training calendar](#) or [sign up for email updates](#) for new class announcements