Reliable Up-to-Date Information On:

The Environment and Health
What makes air, water, and soil healthy or contaminated? How do factors in the environment affect health?

Toxicology
Which substances are safe, which are harmful? Under what conditions?

HIV and AIDS
How do we diagnose, treat, and manage this disease?

Specific Populations
Free and reliable information resources and tools to support the special health information needs of African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans, students and educators, public health workers, new Americans, speakers of other languages, and others

Disaster Preparedness, Response and Recovery
Health resources addressing disaster preparedness, response and recovery
Specialized Information Services (SIS)

Toxicology and Environmental Health

The TOXNET databases (toxnet.nlm.nih.gov) cover chemicals and drugs, environmental health, occupational safety and health, poisoning, risk assessment and regulations, and toxicology.

TOXNET’s Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB) focuses on the toxicology of potentially hazardous chemicals. It is enhanced with information on human exposure, industrial hygiene, emergency handling procedures, environmental fate, regulatory requirements, nanomaterials, and related areas. All data are referenced and derived from a core set of books, government documents, technical reports and selected primary journal literature. HSDB is peer-reviewed by the Scientific Review Panel (SRP).

Drugs and Supplements

SIS produces resources that can help users learn more about drugs and dietary supplements including the Dietary Supplement Label Database (dsld.nlm.nih.gov/) with information from product labels currently in the marketplace (vitamins, minerals, and herbs), the Drug Information Portal (druginfo.nlm.nih.gov/) with current information for over 17,000 drugs, and LactMed (lactmed.nlm.nih.gov) covering drugs to which breastfeeding mothers may be exposed.

HIV/AIDS

AIDSinfo (aidsinfo.nih.gov; infosida.nih.gov) is an HHS service that has the latest federal treatment guidelines for HIV/AIDS and related conditions, clinical trials, and drug and vaccine information. The SIS AIDS Web site (aids.nlm.nih.gov) is NLM’s portal to AIDS-related research literature, images, statistics and other scientific and consumer information.

Outreach

The Outreach and Special Populations Branch (sis.nlm.nih.gov/outreach.html) enables minority and specific populations to access and use health information through training, information internships, specific health resources, and support. The K-12 Science and Health Education program works with teachers and scientific experts to provide reliable resources to introduce, reinforce, and supplement education programs.

Disaster Information

The Disaster Information Management Research Center (DIMRC) (disasterinfo.nlm.nih.gov) develops and provides access to health information resources and technology for disaster preparedness, response, and recovery, such as tools and mobile apps for management of Hazmat and CBRN incidents, including WISER, CHEMM, and REMM.