

ON-LINE CONTENT (1H)

Review the assignment and place your answers to the questions in the Z-CH # 23 drop box by 0800 on March 27, 2023.

Patients often use the Internet to search for health-related issues. Search the Internet for any health-related issue of your choosing. Evaluate the website by answering the following questions:

1. Do the authors have qualifications listed? What are their qualifications? What is the domain? (.gov, .edu, .org)

This website doesn't have specific authors listed as it is the "nation's leading science-based, data driven, service organization that protects the public's health" and has numerous individuals using factual data in order to provide the public with the best information on diseases and preventative measures (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2022). But this website does list the director of the website who is Rochelle P. Walensky, MD, MPH who is the 19th director of the CDC and the 9th administrator for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. The domain of this website is .gov.

2. When was the site created? When was the site last updated or revised?

The website link pertaining to sepsis and how it is diagnosed and treated was last reviewed August 9th, 2022. But, overall, the CDC has been active for more than 70 years, using science to protect the public's health. -Fun fact : the CDC was created July, 1, 1946 to prevent the spread of Malaria

3. Who is the targeted audience? Does the web site present facts or opinions?

The targeted audience for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are children, families, businesses, and communities to help prevent and fight diseases. This website presents facts as they use science-based data to portray information to the public regarding their health and to influence healthy lifestyles.

4. How complete and accurate is the content information? Does it agree with other expert sources?

The CDC's content is self-driven as they have 200 laboratories across the United States where they have scientists working using research, observation, and referencing diagnostic testing in order to provide the American public with the best evidence-based practice measures to protect lives and health using the highest quality scientific data. This website publishes its own content as they gather their own data using scientific based research, but it aligns with other expert sources as several of them get their scientific data from the CDC.

5. Does the site load quickly? Is it a secured site? Are there graphics, or pictures on the page that serve a purpose? If so what are they and how do they relate to the health issue?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention site loaded very quickly as it is a secured site who portrays their data to the public where other parties may use their information stated but third parties do not have the ability to input unsolicited opinions or false information on their website. There are also pictures, graphics, and brochures on the website, but under the *How is Sepsis Diagnosed and Treated* link they have no

affiliation with the CDC and the stated health issue and are used for illustrative purposes only. If you were to go under another topic, you may find brochures that include facts, statistic's, and preventative measures relating to the disease process created by the CDC themselves using their own scientific research studies.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2022, August 9). *How is sepsis diagnosed and treated?* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Retrieved March 20, 2023, from <https://www.cdc.gov/sepsis/diagnosis/index.html>