

Z- CH # 23

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.

In order to receive full credit (1H class time) for this assignment, it must be completed in its entirety by the due date/time assigned. Any assignment not completed in its entirety will result in missed class time.

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 site does not have individual authors listed but does list the name of the organization as the originator. The site I visited is generally accepted as a resource for the general public as well as the medical community for a long time due to their processes of measuring, collecting, and reviewing health information. The domain is .gov.

2. When was the site created? When was the site last updated or revised?
The site was created in 2007, and last updated in February of 2023.

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

The website offers information meant for medical professionals. Fortunately, they title different resources or pages according to different roles. For example, on a page dedicated to education related to sepsis detection/protection, information pamphlets are available for RNs in long-term care facilities and another for STNAs working in the same type of environment. I believe the website presents factual information, but it is not clear where the information stemmed from. As in, there is no study cited or other information piece listed of how any of the information was found.

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

The information does appear accurate and complete, and it matches any other information I have seen regarding sepsis prevention and detection, such as interventions shared in chapter 66 of our Lewis textbook.

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?

Yes, the website loads quickly, and is very well built. There are graphics that show the organizations emblem as well as images to help convey information shared, especially in their brochures and manuals. For example, on the main page dedicated to Sepsis education, the image that heads the page is of two medical professionals rushing down a hall with a gurney and a person/patient on it. This helps convey the emergency the importance of immediate response when sepsis is suspected or detected.