

Unit 8: Nursing Informatics
Z-Chapter 23
ONLINE CONTENT (1 H)

Unit Objectives:

- Discuss trends associated with the computerized electronic record, e-health, and mobile devices. (6,7)*
- Review the steps in evaluating the validity of a website. (7)*

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Review the assignment and place your answers to the questions in the Z-CH # 23 drop box by 0800 on March 25, 2024.

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)
The site is the Mayo Clinic and the pages are written by medical editors. The bottom of the page has a link to their names and qualifications such as cardiologists, gastroenterologist, pulmonologist, etc. The domain is “.org”.
2. When was the site created? When was the site last updated or revised?
The page was created on April 15, 2020 and has not been updated or revised since.
3. Who is the targeted audience? Does the web site present facts or opinions?
The target audience is patients who are diagnosed with COPD. The website presents facts including symptoms, when to see the doctor, causes, how the lungs are affected, and irritants.
4. How complete and accurate is the content information? Does it agree with other expert sources?
The information is very thorough and accurate but presents the information in a way that patients can understand easily. The information matches expert sources.
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 site loaded quickly for me, and the connection is secure. The page uses graphics to show the effects of emphysema and bronchitis on the lungs. They are causes of airway obstruction and the pictures help show how this occurs in the lungs.