

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)*

*Course Objectives

Review Z-chapter 23 the assignment and place your answers to the following questions in the Z-CH # 23 drop box by 0800 on 3/24/2025.

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)
 - a. Yes, they do have qualifications listed. The qualifications are MD. The website domain is UpToDate.com
2. When was the site created? When was the site last updated or revised?
 - a. The site was created in 1992, and it is updated continuously with the most recent being in March 2025.
3. Who is the targeted audience? Does the web site present facts or opinions?
 - a. The target audience for the website seems to be healthcare workers who want to educate their patients more on their condition. I think it can also be used effectively by patients that are discharged home with little information, or those who want to look more in depth on what their healthcare related problem is. Such as Heart Failure, which is what I chose to find information on when looking for qualified websites.
4. How complete and accurate is the content information? Does it agree with other expert sources? (Provide expert sources you researched.)
 - a. Comparing information from the UpToDate website to the Cleveland Clinic's, the information is very similar and gives great detail on sign and symptoms, treatments, causes, and types of Heart Failure.
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?
 - a. There are no complications with how the site loads. The site says it is secure. Graphics are not listed onto the page which may cause problems for those patients not wanting to read through entire articles to better educate themselves on their healthcare problem. The website is all long paragraphs which does give good info, but may be overlooked by someone wanting to learn quickly and have a visual way of doing so.

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