Search Health:
How to Find Credible Health Information

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Brainstorming...

What makes health information reliable?
Consider…

**Authorship**
- What is their expertise?
- What do they gain?

**Audience**
- Who is it written for?

**Currency**
- When was it written?
- How often is it updated?
Website Characteristics to Watch For

• Sponsorship by a drug company
• Solicitation of donations
  • Usually in a prominent place on the website
• Vague “About Us” page
  • Not upfront about who or what organization is sponsoring the website
Useful Health Websites

MedlinePlus
Trusted Health Information for You

National Institute on Aging

KidsHealth
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