

## Exercise #2

### Using MedlinePlus for Additional Information

In this exercise you will explore the Drug, Directories, and News sections of MedlinePlus.

**Instructions:** Choose **two** questions from each section below and answer them using the **Drugs & Supplements, Directories, and News** sections of MedlinePlus.

#### A. Drugs & Supplements

1. My doctor just prescribed Nexium for my acid reflux. Can you tell me more about this drug? Will there be side effects and, if so, what are they?
2. Citalopram is the generic name for a drug used to treat depression. What is the brand name for this medication?
3. Ginkgo is a supplement used for a variety of disorders. What are some drugs that should not be taken with ginkgo?

#### B. Directories

1. My mother lives in Jupiter, Florida and needs to see a cardiologist. Can you tell me who she should see?
2. Find a hospital within 100 miles of your home that has oncology services.
3. Is there a midwife in your area who will deliver a baby at home?

#### C. News

1. What were yesterday's health headlines?
2. Find health news from the past 30 days on childhood asthma.
3. From the front page of MedlinePlus ([medlineplus.gov](http://medlineplus.gov)), go to the Sign up now! link. What daily and weekly news information is available through your email?