

Health News Sources

As you prepare for a career in healthcare, it is a good idea to keep up with news in the profession. You will especially need this as you ready yourself for interviews. Also remember that many professional journals are available at a discounted price for students. You can sign up for regular delivery of news items at the following sites for free:

- [Kaiser Family Foundation](https://www.kff.org)—specializes in health policy analysis. You can specify the areas that most interest you. Many good reports—especially about insurance issues. The state health facts section is also interesting to play with.
<https://www.kff.org>
- U.S. Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion offers information on health issues through [Health.gov](https://health.gov). Also at this site is the calendar of National Health Observances. Just when is *National People Who Sneeze a Lot Awareness Day*? If it existed, it would be there. <https://health.gov/>
- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index.html) (the MMWR) is a highly regarded publication of the Centers for Disease Control. This is where “reportable diseases” like AIDS and mumps are noted. CDC has also created a new MMWR app. You can use the app or sign up for the weekly MMWR email. <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index.html>
- Want other reports on infectious diseases and maintaining the integrity of our antimicrobials? [CIDRAP](http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/) (Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy) has a free daily newsfeed you can sign up for. <http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/>
- Need some animal health news? Sign up for the free American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) [Animal Health SmartBrief](https://www2.smartbrief.com/signupSystem/subscribe.action?pageSequence=1&briefName=avma&campaign=in_brief_signup_link&utm_source=brief).
https://www2.smartbrief.com/signupSystem/subscribe.action?pageSequence=1&briefName=avma&campaign=in_brief_signup_link&utm_source=brief
- Also for vet interview prep, try [DVM360](https://www.dvm360.com/) for current animal and vet practice news. <https://www.dvm360.com/>
- [FierceHealthcare](https://www.fiercehealthcare.com/) offers a free e-newsletter on healthcare policy. <https://www.fiercehealthcare.com/>
- If you want to read more about the lived experience of physicians, then [KevinMD](https://www.kevinmd.com/blog/) has a great blog and free newsletter at <https://www.kevinmd.com/blog/>
- Top health news at [ScienceDaily](https://www.sciencedaily.com/news/top/health/) is also available <https://www.sciencedaily.com/news/top/health/>
- [STAT Newsletters](https://www.statnews.com/signup/?utm_campaign=email_footer&utm_source=STAT+Newsletters&utm_campaign=7428eed0c3-Daily_Recap&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8cab1d7961-7428eed0c3-150076513) allow you to sign up for information on various topics.
https://www.statnews.com/signup/?utm_campaign=email_footer&utm_source=STAT+Newsletters&utm_campaign=7428eed0c3-Daily_Recap&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8cab1d7961-7428eed0c3-150076513
- [Goats and Soda](https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/) is an NPR broadcast/articles on global issues including global health stories.
<https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/>
- If you like your health news to be satirical, head to [GOMERBlog](https://gomerblog.com/) (GOMER stands for Get Out of My Emergency Room, by the way) <https://gomerblog.com/>

-Also check daily newspapers. The [New York Times Health](#) has good health articles (though you are limited to how many you can view per month unless you subscribe) as does the [BBC News Health](#) and [The Guardian Health](#).

- New York Times Health: <https://www.nytimes.com/section/health>
- BBC News Health: <https://www.bbc.com/news/health>
- The Guardian Health: <https://www.theguardian.com/society/health>

-In general, you can often find interesting and reliable information at:

- [National Institutes of Health](https://www.nih.gov/) <https://www.nih.gov/>
- [Centers for Disease Control](https://www.cdc.gov/) <https://www.cdc.gov/>
- [World Health Organizations](https://www.who.int/) <https://www.who.int/>

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) also has the [National Library of Medicine](https://www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/index.html). This is a good place to look for articles and images. Browsing images at the History of Medicine prints and photographs collection is educational and entertaining (warning: much time can be ~~wasted~~ spent here). <https://www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/index.html>

The national organizations of various professions often have news items on their websites plus many give pertinent policy watch information. Many professional organizations also have Twitter, Facebook, and other social media feeds that you can follow.

This is not an exhaustive list. If you know of an organization we should add, please email preprofessional@purdue.edu.

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- [American Dental Association](https://www.ada.org/en): <https://www.ada.org/en>
- [National Dental Association](https://ndaonline.org/): <https://ndaonline.org/>
- [American Medical Association](https://www.ama-assn.org/): <https://www.ama-assn.org/>
- [National Medical Association](https://www.nmanet.org/): <https://www.nmanet.org/>
- [Association of American Indiana Physicians](https://www.aaip.org/): <https://www.aaip.org/>
- [National Hispanic Medical Association](https://www.nhmamd.org/): <https://www.nhmamd.org/>
- [GLMA Health Professionals Advancing LGBTQ Equality](http://www.glma.org/index.cfm?nodeid=1): <http://www.glma.org/index.cfm?nodeid=1>
- [American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine](https://www.aacom.org/news-and-events/all-news): <https://www.aacom.org/news-and-events/all-news>
- [National Osteopathic Medical Association](https://nomaonline.org/): <https://nomaonline.org/>
- [American Optometric Association](https://www.aoa.org/): <https://www.aoa.org/>
- [National Optometric Association](https://nationaloptometricassociation.com/): <https://nationaloptometricassociation.com/>
- [American Academy of Physician Assistants](https://www.aapa.org/): <https://www.aapa.org/>
- [American Veterinary Medical Association](https://www.avma.org/Pages/home.aspx): <https://www.avma.org/Pages/home.aspx>
- [American Physical Therapy Association](https://www.apta.org/): <https://www.apta.org/>
- [American Public Health Association](http://www.publichealthnewswire.org/): <http://www.publichealthnewswire.org/>
- [American Occupational Therapy Association](https://www.aota.org/Publications-News/ForTheMedia/OT-in-the-News.aspx): <https://www.aota.org/Publications-News/ForTheMedia/OT-in-the-News.aspx>
- [American Chiropractic Association](https://www.acatoday.org/): <https://www.acatoday.org/>
- [American Podiatric Medical Association](https://www.apma.org/): <https://www.apma.org/>
- [National Society of Genetic Counselors](https://www.nsgc.org/): <https://www.nsgc.org/>
- [American Pharmacist Association](https://www.pharmacist.com/): <https://www.pharmacist.com/>
- [American Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants](https://www.anesthetist.org/): <https://www.anesthetist.org/>
- [American Association of Naturopathic Physicians](https://www.naturopathic.org/): <https://www.naturopathic.org/>
- [American Association of Pathologists' Assistants](https://www.pathassist.org/): <https://www.pathassist.org/>

-A great site to explore when preparing for interviews (or just out of interest) is the **AMA Journal of Ethics—Ethics Cases**. This site explores a plethora of ethical issues in medicine. <https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/cases>

In addition, all of the national associations are on **social media** so you can follow them. If you search for **podcasts** in your field, you can generally find a fairly in depth list of options that you can try as well.