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FOREWORD

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The comprehensive nature of the health program makes it imperative that teachers gain familiarity with all of the strands presently in print. In this way, important teaching-learning experiences may be developed by cross referring from one strand to another.

It is recommended that the health coordinator in each school system review these materials carefully and consult with teachers, administrators, and leaders of interested parent groups in order to determine the most appropriate manner in which to utilize this strand as an integral part of a locally adapted, broad and comprehensive program in health education.

The curriculum materials presented here are in tentative form and are subject to modification in content and sequence. Critiques of the format, content, and sequence are welcomed.

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OVERVIEW

The junior high school years represent, for many youth, their first opportunity to earn and spend their own money. Furthermore, this developmental period is characterized by an increasing reluctance to follow the advice of parents and other adults who occupy positions of authority. Both of these characteristics of 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students have important implications for consumer health education.

Obviously, the fact that junior high school students generally have more of their own money to spend, increases their potential as health consumers. Secondly, their strivings for independence preclude success in educational programs that are dogmatic, rigid, and reflective of adult values.

Greater success can be realized if teachers approach consumer health instruction objectively, and emphasize the extent to which the promoters and advertisers of health services and projects are misleading and exploiting teen-agers.
OUTCOMES

The pupil in grades 7, 8, and 9 should -

1. be aware of the practice of health quackery and be able to recognize those traits that characterize the health fraud, his techniques, and his products.

2. fully understand the hazards of health quackery and the reasons why quackery continues to flourish in our society.

3. be familiar with the historical highlights of health quackery in the United States, so as to better appreciate the nature of contemporary health frauds.

4. appreciate past and present governmental efforts to protect the public from fraudulent health practice and identify the strengths and weaknesses of these protective measures.

5. be cognizant of the role of professional groups, voluntary agencies, and others in consumer health protection.

6. have an awareness of the basic factors involved in consumer motivation and the significance of the teen-age consumer of health services and products.

7. develop those insights and abilities that characterize intelligent and discriminating consumer health practice.
Environmental and Community Health

Consumer Health

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<td>A. Definitions</td>
<td>Health quackery prevents consumers from engaging in sound health practices and deprives them of adequate health protection.</td>
<td>Keep a running list of vocabulary words for each major area in this unit. Review from time to time with flash cards.</td>
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<td>1. Health quack-ery</td>
<td>Health quacks are those who make false claims to medical knowledge, or who make fraudulent claims of treatment or cure.</td>
<td>Prepare a bulletin board to highlight those traits that identify a health quack.</td>
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<td>2. Health quack</td>
<td>There are definite characteristics by which an informed public may recognize the health quack.</td>
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<td>1. Secret formulas or devices</td>
<td>Reputable physicians share their ideas, findings, and other pertinent information with the rest of the scientific community.</td>
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<td>the following traits can be identified.</td>
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<td>2. Guarantee of cure</td>
<td>Unlike reliable practitioners, the quack promises sure and quick cures.</td>
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<td>Quacks often claim not only an absolute cure, but a quick and permanent cure. Many times they claim that their cure is known only to themselves and may bear the quack's own name or that of a fictitious research foundation.</td>
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<td>3. Use of advertisements and case histories</td>
<td>A doctor's reputation becomes well known by his professional qualifications and it is unnecessary for him to advertise for clients as do many medical frauds.</td>
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<td>Reputable medical practitioners characteristically refrain from promising cures, although they may express optimism in their prognosis.</td>
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<td>4. Testimonials</td>
<td>The reliability of testimonials is often doubtful and the health consumer should realize that fraudulent practitioners often use testimonials to</td>
<td>Locate testimonials in magazines. With opaque projector project these on a wall, and discuss how they are lacking in scientific validity.</td>
<td>It is not uncommon for reputable medical personnel, new to a community, to announce that they are establishing a professional practice. The quack, however, routinely advertises to encourage new business. Often, case histories (real or imagined) are used in these advertisements.</td>
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Testimonials are statements made by real or imagined people, attesting to the success of a quack's treatment. Those providing testimonials may be
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<td>increase sales.</td>
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<td>relatives or friends of the quack or, as in many instances, fictitious people. Sometimes, those making the testimonial are paid quite handsomely.</td>
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<td>Reliable health practitioners become known because of their professional competency and do not have to rely on such questionable promotional practices as testimonials.</td>
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<td>5. Clamor for medical investigation and recognition</td>
<td>Legally any promoter of a drug must undertake the responsibility of proving its safety and effectiveness prior to interstate shipment. Many quacks turn this responsibility around in their promotion to the public.</td>
<td>Many who testify in support of a quack's treatment have only the quack's word that they were afflicted with a particular disease which had &quot;disappeared.&quot;</td>
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<td>When the health fraud is exposed by his professional colleagues, he may react by claiming that he is being persecuted by them.</td>
<td>The American Medical Association's Department of Investigation and state and county medical societies check on practices in medical quackery.</td>
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<td>6. Claims of persecution by medical men who are afraid of competition</td>
<td>Quacks may ridicule conventional forms of diagnosis and/or treatment and substitute a technique or device known only to themselves.</td>
<td>Frequently, quacks claim that drugs, surgery, and X-ray treatment will do more harm than good. They may discourage a client from seeking consultation with competent medical counsel. The resultant delay in</td>
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<td>C. Quack modalities</td>
<td>A modality, in the medical sense, means &quot;any therapeutic device.&quot;</td>
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<td>1. Nostrums</td>
<td>Nostrums are pseudo-scientific chemical preparations prepared and distributed by health frauds.</td>
<td>Perhaps a local antique dealer has a bottle that once contained Dr. Hostetter's Bitters or some other nostrum. An account of Hostetter's enterprise may be found in <em>The Golden Age of Quackery</em> by Holbrook.</td>
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<td>2. Mechanical devices</td>
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<td>Filmstrip: <em>Mechanical Quackery</em></td>
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<td>3. Secret regimens</td>
<td>Secret regimens, usually of a dietary nature, frequently represent a distorted view of basic health procedures.</td>
<td>quackery, provides an interesting account of mechanical quackery.</td>
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<td>D. Common quack approaches</td>
<td>Health quacks employ many approaches in making their appeal to the public.</td>
<td>In chart form list examples of nostrums, mechanical devices, and secret regimens.</td>
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<td>3. Mail order gimmicks</td>
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<td>Examine mail order ads or offers and have class determine the clarity of the statements made - by asking themselves the question - &quot;How much do I know about this advertised product?&quot;</td>
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<td>4. Books and literature</td>
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<td>Read from the Post Office Department Publication, &quot;Mail Fraud!&quot;</td>
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<td>Several pseudoscientific paperbacks on health subjects appear from time to time at newsstands. Review these and you may find an excellent example of quack literature. Many of the so-called &quot;health guides&quot; fall into this category.</td>
<td>Display a copy of &quot;Calories Don't Count,&quot; and discuss the main points</td>
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<td>5. &quot;Health&quot; practitioners</td>
<td>Quackery represents a threat to the health, welfare, and life of the individual who is treated by the quack. The victim may receive treatment which will actually worsen the condition.</td>
<td>Have students list, and discuss briefly those health problems in which delay in diagnosis and treatment may have serious consequences. Ask family and relatives to give examples of treatments they have used that were not successful. By whom prescribed? What were the claims?</td>
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<td>E. The hazards of quackery</td>
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<td>Discuss how a person can distinguish between a professionally prepared person and an unreliable practitioner. List distinctions on the board.</td>
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2. Human suffering and loss of life

3. Useless expenditures of money

4. Self-propagating nature of


Discuss the statement: "The nature of quackery is

Supplementary Information for Teachers

Yet, some phony treatment methods emphasize exercises that aggravate arthritis.

Useless treatments do not lessen the discomfort caused by illness. As the disease process continues, the discomfort increases. Some quack treatments, such as using acid to remove facial blemishes, are extremely painful and may cause more damage to the skin than was caused by the original skin problem.

Since financial gain is the objective of most quacks, it follows that their fees will be high. The Food and Drug Administration has estimated that 10 million dollars per year is spent on useless cancer cures. This is not difficult to understand when one realizes that many cancer victims are willing to pay any amount to any individual promising to cure their condition.

Whenever a quack is able to convince a client that
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<td>quackery</td>
<td>People consult medical frauds for many different reasons.</td>
<td>Have students discuss situations in which fear of illness or bodily harm has resulted in useless or harmful responses on the individual's part. What courses of action should have been taken in these situations?</td>
<td>Fear is one of the most powerful of human motivators. When an individual is afraid that certain discomforts indicate a serious illness, he will do most anything to prevent disability or death. Quacks thrive on the emotion of fear.</td>
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F. Why do people consult medical frauds? 

1. Fear 

2. Persons ill with incurable or poorly understood illnesses 

Many psychological factors which drive individuals to the danger of self-medication also push them into the arms of a quack. 

Ask students to suggest illnesses for which there is presently no known cure. Individuals afflicted with these illnesses are, in a
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<td>3. Lack of information</td>
<td>sense, vulnerable to quack-</td>
<td>known medical cure for arthritis, the patient is obviously discouraged. Though the physician may be able to substantially reduce the discomfort associated with arthritis, the patient is interested in being cured. If a &quot;pseudomedical&quot; man promises a &quot;cure,&quot; many individuals will grasp this ray of hope and accept quack treatment.</td>
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<td>4. The antimedical personality</td>
<td>Review the characteristics of the health quack and his techniques.</td>
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<td>Have students ask family and grandparents to give examples of a home remedy that has been handed down by their parents.</td>
<td>Public education concerning the quack and his insidious methods is perhaps the most important means of protecting the public from medical frauds and other quacks.</td>
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<td>Many individuals are reluctant to consult competent medical practitioners because they fear that he will discover an abnormality. Students may discuss this reasoning.</td>
<td>Many individuals resist contacts with physicians for reasons other than fear or ignorance. It appears that some of these people lack faith in physicians. The reasons for this attitude are complex and may be a result of fear and lack of information.</td>
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<td>5. Modern health trends</td>
<td>Many elements work together to produce a comfortable climate for the quack. He knows that his services may be more in demand today than they were yesterday.</td>
<td>Have students react to Dr. Goddard's reasons for our vulnerability to medical quackery today and explain how each of his reasons makes us more susceptible to the medical quack and his products.</td>
<td>James Goddard, former Commissioner of the F.D.A., has indicated that the public is more vulnerable today to medical quackery for the following reasons:</td>
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<td>Your class may be interested in preparing an assembly program highlighting the characteristics of quacks and how one becomes a victim of these frauds. This drama may also be presented to the PTA or other community groups.</td>
<td>(1) We are more health conscious today than ever before.</td>
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<td>(2) We are exposed to more health articles and advertisements than ever before.</td>
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<td>(3) We have seen science achieve goals that were once thought to be impossible for man to achieve.</td>
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<td>(4) We are more aware of health developments and practices in other countries than ever before.</td>
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<td>G. Highlights in the history of quackery</td>
<td>Quackery has a long and interesting history in this growth of our country.</td>
<td>Have a small group of students search for records of ancient remedies used in the Middle Ages.</td>
<td>All these elements work together to produce a comfortable climate for the quack. He knows that his services may be more in demand today than they were yesterday.</td>
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<td>Quackery has existed in the U.S. since colonial times, and its earlier history dates back to our earliest historical records.</td>
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2. Contemporary case studies

### MAJOR UNDERSTANDINGS AND FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS

1. Quackery in Colonial America

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2. Contemporary case studies

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### SUGGESTED TEACHING AIDS AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES

1. Pertinent illustrations may be found in Holbrook's *The Golden Age of Quackery*.

2. Teachers may find selections from Chapter 1 of *The Toadstool Millionaires* useful to read orally to class.

3. If time permits, students might prepare and present reports on illustrations such as:
   - Elisha Perkin's metallic tractors
   - Thomas Dyatt's patent medicines
   - Hostetter's Bitters

4. Individual students may be asked to prepare reports on some of our contemporary health quacks.

5. See if students can find examples of contemporary quackery from their own, or their families' experience.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

1. American quackery dates back to 1630, when Nicholas Knopp was fined 5 pounds for selling ordinary water as a cure for scurvy.

2. The first known patent medicine in America was developed during the Colonial Period. This nostrum, Tuscarora Rice, was apparently made from Indian corn and was sold as a cure for consumption (tuberculosis). Though the patent for this concoction was issued in England, it was developed by an American and sold in the colonies.

3. In spite of this nation's high level of technological development, great national wealth, and high standard of living, it is likely that as many health frauds are being perpetrated in the last half of the 20th century as in the latter 19th century.
II. Consumer Protection

A. Early efforts

The dangers of health quackery have been recognized for centuries, and governments have passed legislation to protect the public from these hazards.

B. 20th century legislation

1. Food and Drug Act of 1906

In 1202, King John of England proclaimed the first English food law, the Assize of Bread. This prohibited the adulteration of bread with such ingredients as beans or peas.

In 1784, Massachusetts enacted the first general food law in the United States.

In 1848, Edwards law was passed to prohibit the importation of adulterated drugs.

The mail fraud statute, enacted in 1872, represented the first Federal effort to protect the public from dishonest promoters.

During the period 1891-1895, partial protection of domestic consumers was effected by acts requiring inspection of animals for diseases before slaughtering.

The original Food and Drug Act (1906), the Heyburn Act, passed by Congress.
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<td>3. Other significant legislation</td>
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<td>The Sherley Amendment prohibited labeling medicines with false and fraudulent therapeutic claims.</td>
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<td>b. Durham-Humphrey Amendment October 26, 1951</td>
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In 1945 a federal act was amended to require certification of the safety and efficacy of penicillin. Later amendments extended this requirement to other antibiotics.

Specifically required that drugs which cannot be safely used without medical supervision bear the prescription legend on the label and be dispersed only upon a physician's written order.
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<td>c. October 10, 1962 (Kefauver-Harris Drug Amendments)</td>
<td>Review the specific requirements of the Kefauver-Harris Amendment.</td>
<td>In 1962, the Kefauver-Harris Drug Amendments passed to assure a greater degree of safety, effectiveness, and reliability of prescription drugs, and to strengthen new drug clearance procedures.</td>
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<td>C. Federal organizations</td>
<td>Several governmental agencies have as their major role the protection of the public from health frauds.</td>
<td>In 1927, a law enforcement agency was formed and became known as the Food, Drug, and Insecticide Administration. It was this same agency whose name was changed to the Food and Drug Administration in 1931. Walter G. Campbell was its first chief.</td>
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<td>1. Food and Drug Administration</td>
<td>The principal task of the F.D.A. is to enforce the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.</td>
<td>Assign readings from recent issues of FDA publication, <em>F.D.A. Papers</em>. (see reference list)</td>
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<td>Any of the FDA materials describing the specific functions of this organization could be made available for review.</td>
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<td>The FDA attempts to carry out the purpose of Congress to insure that foods are pure, safe, and wholesome; that drugs and therapeutic devices are safe and</td>
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<td>Invite a representative from your regional FDA office to speak to your student body to discuss FDA functions.</td>
<td>Makes periodic inspections of food, drugs, devices, and cosmetic establishments and examines samples of these products from interstate commerce.</td>
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<td>Show the film <em>A Reason for Confidence</em>.</td>
<td>Assists industry in voluntary compliance with the law, and in setting up controls to prevent violations.</td>
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Prior to 1938, there were no official standards to show the normal composition of food products. The FDA has jurisdiction over prescription-drug advertising. Every batch of antibiotics drugs (except for a few exemptions), for human consumption and of insulin, are tested for safety and...
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<td>2. Federal Trade Commission</td>
<td>The FTC among its various responsibilities, has jurisdiction over the advertising of foods, non-prescription drugs, cosmetics, and devices, regardless of the communication media used.</td>
<td>Have students conduct research to determine the relationship between the FTC and the Sherman Antitrust Act of 1890 and the Clayton Act of 1914.</td>
<td>effectiveness before they are sold. The manufacturers and ultimately the consumers absorb the costs of these testing procedures.</td>
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<td>3. Post Office Department</td>
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b. Controls obscenity in the mail

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- the use of the mails to perpetuate fraudulent schemes and the selling of nostrums.

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- Identify an infamous character known as "Dr." Roy DeWelles. Information about this man and his fraudulent mail order scheme may be obtained from the Post Office Department.
- Arrange for the local postmaster, postal inspector, or divisional inspector to speak with your class regarding Post Office Department efforts to safeguard our mails from medical frauds.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

- Despite the efforts of the Post Office Department, the American public is bilked over $100 million a year through mail fraud.
- Of the endless variety of schemes perpetrated, the most vicious involve the sale of worthless medicines and therapeutic devices.
- Mail order enterprises send lurid unsolicited advertisements through the mails. Through sealed envelopes and first class postage, these promoters insure against postal inspection.
- When any citizen suspects that he is the recipient of objectionable or fraudulent material via the mails, the local Post Office Department should be contacted.

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<td>D. Professional groups</td>
<td>Various local, state, and national professional groups conduct anti-quackery programs.</td>
<td>Have the class compare a list of other professional groups which may protect against quackery.</td>
<td>To protect their members and other citizens, many professional groups are assuming functions relating to consumer health.</td>
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<td>1. American Medical, Dental, Dietetic, and Hospital Associations</td>
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<td>Invite representatives from, or have members of the class write, these professional groups to determine how each protects the consumer.</td>
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<td>2. State and local professional societies</td>
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<td>E. Voluntary health agencies</td>
<td>Voluntary health agencies, especially those concerned with chronic diseases, engage in activities to combat health quackery.</td>
<td>Local ACS agencies may provide a speaker to discuss activities to expose cancer quackery.</td>
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<td>2. Arthritis Foundation, Inc.</td>
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<td>Contact the Arthritis Foundation, Inc., 432 Park Avenue, South, New York, New York, and request information on arthritis quackery.</td>
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<td>F. Commercial groups</td>
<td>Commercial groups are often able to advise the health consumer of the reliability or authenticity of health products.</td>
<td>A student committee could contact the nearest local Better Business Bureau and arrange for a speaker to discuss the nature and purpose of this</td>
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The publication, "Facts You Should Know About Your BBB," is available from local bureaus and is a good teacher reference.
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<td>2. Consumer's Research</td>
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<td>If your local community does not have a local BBB, perhaps a member of your Chamber of Commerce might visit with your class to discuss &quot;consumer protection in your community.&quot;</td>
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<td>3. Consumers Union, Inc.</td>
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<td>Have the class react to ratings of products in a recent issue of Consumer Bulletin. It will be an easy task to stimulate interest in this publication.</td>
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<td>4. Magazine Testing and Rating Services</td>
<td>Magazines sometimes rate health products and it is important to understand exactly what these ratings mean to the consumer.</td>
<td>Determine the nature of Consumers Union research program.</td>
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<td>a. Good Housekeeping</td>
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<td>Discuss the circumstances under which a product is awarded the Good Housekeeping seal of approval.</td>
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<td>The teacher may locate specific information regarding this organization by writing to: Consumer's Research, Inc. Washington, New Jersey 07882</td>
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<td>Consumer Reports is published monthly to tell consumers the truth about consumer goods and services. A section called &quot;The Docket&quot; reports on federal action. Reports are issued by the agency or department concerned. Information about the Good Housekeeping Institute may be obtained from: Willie Mae Rogers, Director</td>
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### III. Consumer Motivation

**A. Motives**

The use of psychological techniques and motivation analysis to guide campaigns of persuasion has become the basis for selling various wares to the public.

**B. Role of motives (incentives) in consumer behavior**

There is a basic reason for all human behavior. The motives that guide health behavior are often complex and involve emotional responses.

- Have each student write down his reason for being in school today. Analyze these, emphasizing the variety of motives at work.

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- Parent's Magazine tests the products that are submitted to it for advertising. Since they do not have commercial laboratories of their own, their product tests are conducted by commercial laboratories.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS**

- Good Housekeeping Institute
  - 959 Eighth Avenue
  - New York, New York 10019

- A motive is something that prompts a person to act in a certain way. The term "motive" may be used synonymously with "incentive."

- Foremost among the human motivations that serve as incentives to the consumer of health products and services are anxiety, worry, fear, and hope.
C. Classifications of motives

1. Rational motives

Rational motives generally lead to more appropriate consumer behavior than does emotional motivation.

2. Emotional motives

Emotional motives for buying health products and services may lead to unwise and dangerous consumer behavior.

D. Consumer purchasing patterns

1. Products people buy

Consumer emotional motives include emulation, prestige, social achievement, pleasure.

If a student was considering buying an over-the-counter product to alleviate a skin condition, how might he reach his decision rationally? Student comments may be recorded on the chalkboard and reacted to by the entire class.

Have students suggest emotional motives for various purchases they or members of their family have made.

Supplementary Information for Teachers

Advertisers claim that there is a definite trend away from rational buying. Rational buying involves consideration of the appropriateness of the purchase, quality, and durability of the product, and its economy.

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The Report of the Surgeon General's Sub-Committee has caused a dramatic change in the kinds of cigarettes being manufactured in the U.S. today. Filter-tip cigarettes that formerly made up less than 5 percent of the total...
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<td>2. When people buy</td>
<td>Usage during different seasons of the year is characteristic of many products.</td>
<td>Have a group of students research and report on the value of sun glasses, suntan lotion, or other seasonal health products.</td>
<td>U. S. market now represent well over 50 percent of the market.</td>
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<td>3. Fashion and fads</td>
<td>Consumer research can be one of the most effective ways of analyzing fashions, fads, and other consumer trends.</td>
<td>The question of &quot;teen fads&quot; related to health may be explored now or approached at a later time in this unit. Consult your class for suggestions in this area. Dietary fads, complexion aids, etc., are examples.</td>
<td>Imagine how important the trend (fad) away from fatty foods and especially saturated fats is to the manufacturers of cooking oils.</td>
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<td>E. The teen-age consumer</td>
<td>The teen-age market offers a lucrative business to those promoting health services and products.</td>
<td>Have each student make a list of the health products he buys or would like to buy. Two students can compile a major list from all classes to show the purchasing interest at this age.</td>
<td>Teenagers have been receiving special attention from advertisers for the past few years because</td>
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<td>1. Buying power</td>
<td>During one's lifetime approximately 5 percent of an individual's income is spent on health and medical care.</td>
<td>Determine to what extent the members of your class are &quot;brand&quot; conscious. The health products in your survey might include toothpaste, facial cream or other similar cosmetics, vitamins, aspirin, etc. List on the board the reasons why they purchased a certain brand. From this list decide if it was a rational or emotional decision.</td>
<td>The teen-age market grows larger in size and in buying power each day. It is estimated that today's teens will receive some twelve billion dollars a year in allowances, gifts, and incomes. In 1963 an estimated 22,500,000 American teenagers spent a total of $11,000,000,000 an average of nearly $500 each. According to &quot;The Teen-Age Tide&quot; (Time, October 9, 1964),</td>
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<td>1. &quot;Though they comprise only 11 percent of the female population, teenage girls account for 23 percent of all cosmetic and toilet goods sales ($450,000,000 worth each year), take home 20 percent of all woman's clothes sold.&quot;</td>
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<td>2. Influence on family buying patterns</td>
<td>It appears that teenagers, as a group, exert a considerable amount of emotional influence on the purchases made by the family.</td>
<td>Bring in examples of T.V. commercials, typed or written. List, or discuss, the ways in which you are being influenced to buy.</td>
<td>Material symbols of adult independence, therefore, have a strong appeal to some young people. Alcohol, automobiles, tobacco products, certain items of clothing, etc., are some of these products. An analysis of many teenage T.V. show advertisements indicates how sponsors select products that appeal to the young.</td>
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<td>3. From dependent childhood to independent adulthood</td>
<td>Much of the consumer behavior of teenagers gives evidence of their strivings for adulthood.</td>
<td>Determine which current T.V. shows are regularly watched by members of your class. Do these shows appear to represent those designed for teenagers? Which products are sold by the sponsors? In visual or audio form, prepare an advertisement which would appeal to teenagers. Note the motivational device used.</td>
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*Medical Messiahs.* James Harvey Young. 1968.


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Margolius, Sidney. Innocent Consumer vs the Exploiters. Pocket Books, Inc. New York. 1968. $0.95- (77013)


Books (continued)


Pamphlets (*Recommended for elementary school student use)

American Cancer Society
I have a secret cure for cancer

American Dental Association
*The care of children's teeth
*Toothbrushing

American Dietetic Association
Food facts talk back
Food mis-information (kit)

American Medical Association
Beware of health quacks
Chiropractic: the unscientific cult
Data sheet on National Health Federation, Department of Investigation. 1966
Defense against quackery
Did you know that? (chiropractic)
Eight ways to cut your doctor bills
Facts on quacks (questions and answers on different forms of quackery)
Food faddism and false claims-resource unit
Health quackery
How to be a better patient
Let's use, not abuse health insurance
Mechanical quackery
Merchants of menace
Nostrums and quackery
Proceedings-2nd and 3rd National Congress on Medical Quackery
Resource unit for senior high school
Take stock of your assets (import of good health insurance plan)
*Something can be done about acne
Vitamin supplements and their correct use
Pamphlets (continued)

Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation
Arthritis quackery today
Quackery in arthritis
Reprint-"The hucksters of pain." Saturday Evening Post. August 24, 1963

Better Business Bureau
*Bait ads that hook your dollars
Don't fall for these gimmicks
Facts you should know about health quackery
Facts you should know about your Better Business Bureau
The old-time medicine man
They can't get it for you wholesale

Channing L. Bete Company
About extended care (Medicare)
Medicare and you; how it helps pay hospital and doctors' bills after 65
What everyone should know about health insurance

Cooley, Donald.

Federal Trade Commission
Guides against bait advertising
Investigate, stop, look says Federal Trade Commission
Let's join hands to prevent consumer deception
The consumer's right to know; political rhetoric or economic reality?

Health Insurance Institute
Policies for protection
Our family's health insurance: do we know the answers?
The new ABC's of health insurance

Medical Society of the State of New York
Proceedings of the New York State Congress on Health Quackery

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
Profile of a practicing physician
*What's in your medicine chest?
Pamphlets (continued)

National Tuberculosis Association
*Ways to keep well and happy

New York State College of Home Economics
Nutritional sense and nonsense

Public Affairs Committee
A consumer's guide to health insurance plans
Making medical care better
Medicare - benefits and gaps; social security; your rights
The arthritis hoax
The Blue Cross story
The story of Blue Shield
Science vs. chiropractic

United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare
Public Health Service
Consumer Protection and Environmental Health Service
Food and Drug Administration
Consumer Specialist
26 Federal Plaza, Room 836
New York, New York 10007

FDA Fact Sheets
CSS D2 Drug Side Effects
CSS D3 Medicine: Prescription and Over-the-Counter
CSS D4 Some Questions and Answers About Medicines
CSS D5 Oral Contraceptives
CSS D6 Self-Medication
CSS D7 Rainbow Pills
CSS D10 Thalidomide
CSS C1 Cosmetics
CSS G3 How the Consumer Can Report
CSS G5 Prices
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Pub. 44 - How Safe Are Our Drugs? .15
Pub. 45 - Young Scientists Look at Drugs .15
Pub. 46 - The Use and Misuse of Drugs .15
Pub. 52 - Drugs and Your Body 1.00

United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare
Public Health Service
Inquiries Branch
Washington, D. C. 20201
PHSP 559 The Cancer Quacks
PHSP 375 Cancer: What To Know, What To Do About It

United States Post Office Department
How the Postal Inspection Service protects you against mail fraud
Mail fraud

United States Public Health Service
From hand to mouth
The cancer quacks

Periodicals (*Excellent sources-yearly subscription recommended)
(**Recommended for elementary school use)

Business World

**Changing Times
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"Gyps and swindles and schemes." June 1965.
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Seventeen
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Time

*Today's Health
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"Face burners." June 1966.
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"Health insurance for everyone." November 1968.
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Suggested Audio-Visual Materials

Films (*Recommended for elementary school use)

_A Reason For Confidence_. Free short-term loan from National Medical Audiovisual Center (Annex) Station K, Atlanta, Georgia 30334 Att: Distribution. 28 minutes, color, shows how FDA works to assure consumers of safe drugs and foods.

_Dialogue With Life_. Modern Talking Picture Service, 1212 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036. 26 minutes, black and white, shows advances made in health care and health insurance.

_Choosing a Doctor_. McGraw-Hill Films, 330 West 42nd Street, New York. 16 minutes, black and white, stresses importance of choosing a doctor before illness strikes. (local or state health department)

_Even For One_. Sterling Movies. 28 minutes, describes the services of a general practitioner. (Local or State Medical Society)

_Fraud Fighters_. McGraw-Hill Films, 330 West 42nd Street, New York. 17 minutes, shows how government agencies maintain supervision over medicines, cosmetics and other products.
Films (continued)

*Health Careers.* Health Career Film Service, 13 East 37th Street, New York. 13 minutes, documents the theme that health is a community affair.

*Journey Into Medicine.* United World Films, 1445 Park Avenue, New York. 36 minutes, insight into training in medicine and public health.

*Man Alive.* Lederle Laboratories, Pearl River, New York. 10 minutes, color, scientific progress in research from practices of witch doctor to today.

*Medicine Man.* 30 minutes, color, story of quackery in nutrition and agencies that seek to combat this. (Local or State Medical Society) (free on loan)

*Misery Merchants.* Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 10019. 29 minutes, black and white, arthritis quackery. (local or state health department)

*National Institutes of Health.* 24 minutes, color, describes roles, development, and historical background of this agency. (local or state health department)

*Not As It Was.* Sterling Movies. 30 minutes, story of the A.M.A. (local or state medical society)

*Nutritional Quackery.* Associated Film Services, 3419 West Magnolia Boulevard, Burbank, California. 20 minutes, color, counteracts the conflicting, but sometimes convincing claims of the food faddist.

*Quacks and Nostrums.* 19 minutes, black and white, activities of the modern quacks and groups that protect the consumer. (local or state health department)

*Report On Bootleg Dentistry.* (local or state dental society)

*Science and Superstition.* Coronet Films.


*Target Quackery.* Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 10019, arthritis quackery.
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*The Medicine Man. Sterling Movies, Inc.

Too Tough to Care. Roswell Park Memorial Institute, 666 Elm Street, Buffalo. 25 minutes, color, designed to deglamorize and debunk cigarette advertising. (free on loan)

To Our Health. Lederle Laboratories, Pearl River, New York. 10 minutes, color, scientific progress in research from practices of witch doctor to today. (free on loan)

Up in Smoke. Roswell Park Memorial Institute, 666 Elm Street, Buffalo. 23 minutes, color, a satire on tobacco advertising. (free on loan)

*What is Disease. Walt Disney.

*Your Skin. Lever Brothers.

Filmstrips (*Recommended for elementary school use)

Dollars for Health. Institute on Life Insurance, Education Division, 488 Madison Avenue, New York 10022, motivates student interest in health insurance. (free on loan)


*Louis Pasteur. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

*Man's Struggle to Preserve Food. Film Strip of-the-Month Club, Inc.

*Marie Curie. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.
Filmstrips (continued)

Mechanical Quackery. American Medical Association. 15 minutes. 60 color frames. (Local or State Medical Society)


*Walter Reed. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Transparencies (*Recommended for elementary school use)

DCA Educational Products, Inc., 4865 Stanton Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19144. Inquire regarding prices of sets and individual transparencies and list of local distributors.

How Safe Are Our Drugs? 22 transparencies with teacher's guide.
The Use and Misuse of Drugs. 20 transparencies with teacher's guide.
Drugs and Your Body. 21 transparencies with teacher's guide.

Visual Products Division, 3M Company, P.O. Box 3344, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. 20 prepared color transparencies per set, $33 each set or printed originals, $1.25 each set.

Analyzing Influences on Health Choices
Applying Health Criteria
Areas of Specialization in Health
*Comparing Health Choices
*Consumer Protection Sources
Developing Health Criteria
Examining Non-Scientific Criteria
Governmental Agencies and Health
*Hazards of Self Diagnosis
Health Information and Mass Media
*Influences on Health Choices
Interpretation of Health Information
*Professional Health Specialists


Drugs and Your Body. 20 transparencies.
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American Cancer Society, 219 East 42nd Street, New York, New York 10017.
American Dental Association, 222 East Superior Street, Chicago, Illinois.
American Medical Association, 535 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610.
Channing L. Bete Company, Box 112, Greenfield, Massachusetts 01301.
Consumers' Research, Washington, New Jersey.
Good Housekeeping Institute, 57th Street at 8th Avenue, New York, New York 10019.
Institute of Life Insurance, Education Division, 277 Park Avenue, New York, New
York 10017.
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Health and Welfare Division, 1 Madison Avenue,
New York, New York 10010.
National Tuberculosis Association, 1790 Broadway, New York, New York 10019.
New York State Department of Health, 84 Holland Avenue, Albany, New York 12208.
Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, 1155 15th Street, Northwest, Washington, 
D.C. 20005.
Public Affairs Committee, 381 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10016.
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