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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.

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OVERVIEW

Consumer health instruction suggested for the high school grades is based on a comprehensive foundation of knowledge and attitudes established at earlier grade levels.

Emphasis is placed on the psychological dimension of contemporary quackery and pseudoscientific practice, and sources of health information and health counsel. Since many students should possess the necessary background and maturity to become involved in independent study, it is anticipated that many teachers will choose to use this approach.

In general, the grade 10-12 materials provide students with experiences that will enable them to function as intelligent and discriminating adult health consumers.

OUTCOMES

Young adults in grades 10-12 should:

- become increasingly aware of the forces which influence their purchasing behavior.
- understand the role of advertising as it affects consumer demand.
- develop an ability to critically analyze advertising and promotional appeals.
- demonstrate increased sophistication in evaluating health information.
- understand the dangers inherent in cancer and arthritis quackery.
- be aware of pseudoscientific practices so as to distinguish them from scientific practices.
- have a familiarity with medical and paramedical specialists whose services are available to health consumers.
- be cognizant of major trends in medical care practices, and understand the nature of common group medical care plans.
- use their knowledge as a basic guide for becoming intelligent, discriminating health consumers.
Environmental and Community Health

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<td>- Keep a running list of vocabulary words for this unit.</td>
<td>- Manufacturers and those in advertising devote countless dollars exploring persuasive techniques that will influence consumer purchases.</td>
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<td>- Those whose efforts are directed toward consumer motivation are becoming increasingly familiar with the dynamics of persuasion.</td>
<td>- From the class obtain examples of persuasive selling techniques that have and have not worked. Discuss why.</td>
<td>- In some instances persuasive techniques succeed in breaking down consumer resistance and the result is a purchase. In other instances, too much, too little, or perhaps the wrong type of persuasion can antagonize the consumer and result in no sale.</td>
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<td>1. Persuasion</td>
<td>- For some consumers buying is an expression of power, success, or accomplishment, while for others it can be explained in terms of the consumer's inclination to be nice to the seller.</td>
<td>- Discuss the reasons why people are motivated to buy goods. Classify these in one of three major areas: physical, emotional, and social. Set up a checklist, and using this list, ask parents and friends why they purchased a specific item.</td>
<td>- Those who sell and advertise recognize that the positive urge to buy exists in many people. At the same time, they acknowledge the existence of consumer resistance by encouraging him to rationalize, or by supporting his positive buying urge.</td>
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Irrational motives are usually those reasons for buying or not buying which are inconsistent and not self-approved.

2. The use of symbols

a. Symbols defined

Symbols may be defined as "anything which stands for, suggests, or represents something else by reason of relationship, convention, or arbitrary agreement."

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SUGGESTED TEACHING AIDS AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Taped commercial messages may be used to demonstrate how advertising supports the consumer's positive buying urge.

Give examples of rational and irrational motives.

Have students list as many symbols as they can. Even though each word is in itself a symbol, have students confine their examples to specifics.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

Rational motives are usually conscious, while irrational motives tend to be unconscious.

No matter how rational people pretend to be, their purchases are often based on irrational motives. The essential point, to the advertiser or seller, is that the buyer must be given a self-approved reason for purchasing the product.

Specific examples are the dove, as a symbol of peace, the owl as a symbol of wisdom, and the fox as a symbol of cunning.

Any object or action which is not a symbol can acquire other meanings and associations and thus symbolize other ideas and concepts.
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<td>b. Functions of symbols</td>
<td>Symbols are used to subtly suggest to the consumer that purchasing the product is the same as purchasing the symbolic object or idea.</td>
<td>Prepare a bulletin board displaying examples of symbolic appeals used in the advertisement of products that appeal to teen-agers.</td>
<td>Each of us attempts to enhance our self-image and in choosing between two similar products, the one with the appropriate symbolism would be the consumer's choice.</td>
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<td>(1) To reinforce self-image</td>
<td>A symbol is appropriate if it adds to or reinforces the way the consumer conceives of himself.</td>
<td>Discuss various ways consumer health practices are efforts to reinforce one's concept of the person he is or wants to be.</td>
<td>Smooth fabrics and mixtures symbolize femininity while coarse fabrics and mixtures are usually symbolic of masculinity.</td>
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<td>(2) To reflect sexuality</td>
<td>Many consumer products have a sexual connotation and make their appeal through this symbolic channel.</td>
<td>All students might make a list of those items they buy or would like to buy. From these lists have two students prepare a survey sheet. Include male-female and grade level on sheet.</td>
<td>Girls tend to prefer smooth peanut butter while boys prefer chunky.</td>
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<td>(3) To symbolize age</td>
<td>In order to make a special appeal to a specific age group, advertisers use symbols to attract members</td>
<td>Survey all classes, tabulate results to show those items most frequently purchased at each grade level and by each sex.</td>
<td>The names chosen for many products are themselves symbols. Deodorants are excellent examples of this.</td>
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<td>(4) To symbolize social participation</td>
<td>Most products say something about the social world of the consumers who use them.</td>
<td>Products advertised in New Yorker or Mademoiselle appeal to members of some social classes, whereas similar products advertised in Look or Reader's Digest would not have the same appeal. Thus, the magazine itself symbolizes one's real or imagined social station.</td>
<td>especially sensitive to communications which imply childishness or &quot;squareness.&quot; Consequently, advertisers are apt to use symbols of freedom, romance, or independence when appealing to teen-agers.</td>
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<td>3. Motivational mechanisms</td>
<td>The behavior of health consumers is affected by transitory or enduring emotional states.</td>
<td>Collect ads with varied social class appeals. (From the &quot;man of distinction&quot; to the muscle man appeal.) From these ads that are brought to class, select those that include symbols designed for each of the four major purposes. Display these ads on poster board. Have students classify each under one of the four major functions. This could be an evaluative technique.</td>
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<td>a. Aggression</td>
<td>Aggression is that emotion which leads people to attack, destroy, damage, or overcome other people or objects.</td>
<td>List the various motivational mechanisms. Discuss generally or specifically for each mechanism how the emotional make-up of individuals would affect their consumer practices.</td>
<td>A basic tenet of Sigmund Freud was that aggression is a primary instinct in man. The most obvious way by which manufacturers allow us to release our aggressive impulses harmlessly is by packaging products in noisy wrappings that must be torn or smashed. When aggression is released, we gain satisfaction from the aggressive act. Cigarette packaging is an excellent example of this phenomenon. At the same time, wrappings can become a matter of frustration when the packaging becomes so complex that the individual almost gives up the challenge.</td>
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<td>b. Ambivalence</td>
<td>When we express both positive and negative feelings about the same activity or object, we are ambivalent. Promoters of health products and services capitalize on consumer ambivalence and thereby increase sales volume.</td>
<td>In what way do toothpaste advertisers and manufacturers take advantage of our ambivalence to sell their product? We can both love and hate something at the same time. For example, many young people dislike washing their faces, but at the same time they may have positive feelings about the benefits of the activity. Realizing the negative face-washing feelings as well as the positive aspects, soap or facial cream promoters concentrate on the positive aspects. Result - increased sales.</td>
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c. Anxiety

Anxiety in one form or another is experienced by all people, and has a marked influence on consumer behavior.

Advertisements for supplementary vitamins and minerals that use the "subclinical deficiency" theme illustrate the use of anxiety in promotion of a health product.

Ask students to bring to class advertisements that create a fear that one is depriving his family if it is not used.

Anxiety may be defined as an aroused state in which one feels threatened but is not always aware of the cause.

Psychologists believe that the underlying reason for anxiety is the fear of personal weakness and inadequacy in relation to one's total environment. Anxiety also arises from fear of the unknown. It follows that new or mysterious products may lead to mild anxiety. To reduce consumer apprehension over a new health product or service, the seller may try to alleviate anxiety by creating faith in the manufacturer, dealer, or product, rather than by making claims of a "new scientific breakthrough." Thus, the promoter who is skilled in communication and persuasion may use selling techniques quite unlike the quack or charlatan.

Mild anxiety is a powerful motivator and could cause a person to seek health counsel. Severe anxiety can sometimes incapacitate the individual and prevent him from following through on health care.
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<td>d. Autonomy</td>
<td>In advertising, the appeal to one's desire to make his own decisions and to determine his own destiny is commonly seen.</td>
<td>Have students identify advertisements that appeal to one's desire for personal autonomy.</td>
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<td>e. Compensation</td>
<td>Compensatory behavior involves those attempts by the individual to &quot;make up&quot; for real or imagined weaknesses or shortcomings in his psyche or physical being.</td>
<td>Analyze these ads and determine which age group is the target for the ad.</td>
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<td>f. Fantasy</td>
<td>The form of fantasy that has important implications for consumer behavior is daydreaming or wishful thinking.</td>
<td>Arrange a bulletin board of advertisements displaying health products that provide outlets for various compensations. Each student can select one of these ads and explain how the consumer might compensate constructively, rather than follow the advice in the ad.</td>
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If one's aspirations, hopes, and fantasies coincide with the claims made in advertising, powerful motivating forces are created. The older citizen may likewise be lured into purchases because of fantasies concerning regaining youthfulness, attractiveness, sexual potency.
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<td>Faulty knowledge or lack of knowledge about a condition or disease can lead the consumer into purchasing worthless or harmful health products and services.</td>
<td>It is essential to know the facts about a condition or disease for which a product or service is being offered. It is also essential to know what the ingredients of a product are or, if a service, what treatment is involved, if the consumer is to make intelligent choices.</td>
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<td>a. Ignorance</td>
<td>Indicating how they reflect consumer ignorance, analyze ads for obesity that imply or actually state that people can eat all they desire and still grow thin. Which of the motivational mechanisms is being used?</td>
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<td>b. Gullibility</td>
<td>The tendency of many individuals to accept as fact whatever they see or hear (gullibility) probably influences buying habits as much as any other single factor.</td>
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<td>2. Promotional techniques</td>
<td>Ultimately, promotional techniques are generally intended to sell products, rather than to benefit the consumer.</td>
<td>Have students check various stores to make a list of devices used to promote sales.</td>
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<td>Promotional devices are many. Some are: discounts, prizes, contests, special introductory offers, trading stamps, sales (&quot;one cent,&quot; &quot;white,&quot; &quot;inventory items sold below cost.&quot;)</td>
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<td>3. Social pressure</td>
<td>Individuals may purchase health products or services primarily because of subtle or direct pressures from peers, friends, or other individuals and/or groups.</td>
<td>In a short paragraph react to the concept that &quot;people tend to measure success by the items they buy.&quot;</td>
<td>Purchases of cosmetic substances, dietary preparations, etc. may be a result of social pressure. Often, social pressure is indirectly exerted because an individual desires to be like others he admires. Viewed in this broad perspective, social pressure has many obvious influences on consumer health behavior.</td>
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<td>1. Low-pressure selling</td>
<td>Low pressure selling's effectiveness is a result of its attempt to openly help people to buy through support of their motives.</td>
<td>Role play a situation to demonstrate the soft sell technique.</td>
<td>Low pressure selling or soft sell is sometimes referred to as &quot;open selling.&quot; This approach is essentially honest. Those who depend on this technique oppose the high pressure selling techniques which do not make the consumer feel that he is really making the decision to purchase a product.</td>
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<td>2. High-pressure selling</td>
<td>The aggressive, forceful and unrelenting sales tactics of high pressure take the decision for the purchase out of the hands of the customer.</td>
<td>Dramatize a situation in which a fictitious consumer is &quot;high pressured&quot; into buying a drug product. Have class describe their personal reactions to such a technique.</td>
<td>Indecisive consumers, or those who have not convinced themselves of the need for a product or service, are especially susceptible to the &quot;high-pressure&quot; approach.</td>
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3. Positive approaches

**MAJOR UNDERSTANDINGS AND FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS**

The positive approach to advertising and selling is that which convinces the consumer he is getting a good product.

**SUGGESTED TEACHING AIDS AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES**

Have students gather examples of health advertising. Each example should be accompanied by a critique of the positive technique.

Arrange a bulletin board of the better examples of positive selling and the critical comments prepared by the students.

Briefly review the advertisement evaluation guides included in the grades 4, 5, 6 curriculum materials.

Individuals or groups might be asked to use this guide in evaluating ads for:
- cold remedies
- hair removers
- baldness cures
- deodorants
- acne remedies

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS**

In the positive approach, the seller displays great enthusiasm for his product. Obviously, if the seller is not enthusiastic and the consumer is not convinced that the product is a wise purchase, consumer resistance increases. This resistance conflicts with whatever positive buying urges might be present.

The fundamental characteristic of the positive approach in both advertising and selling is to present the health product or service as the solution to some problem or need of the buyer. The more evident this solution is to the buyer, the more apt he is to buy the product.

In addition to the guides for evaluating advertisements suggested for grades 4, 5, 6, Appendix A contains a summary of critical questions that one should pose when analyzing advertisements.
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<td>5. Creative Code</td>
<td>Unprecedented increases in both the volume and variety of health information in the mass media have made it increasingly important that the individual be able to critically evaluate this information.</td>
<td>Perhaps the teacher can obtain a copy of the Creative Code and the Copy Interchange Program from the American Association of Advertising. How is advertising controlled by this Code? To what extent are the controls effective?</td>
<td>The Creative Code and the Copy Interchange Program for enforcing the Code attempts to control advertising to some extent.</td>
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<td>of the American Association of Advertising</td>
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<td>The same procedure can be applied to the code of the National Association of Broadcasters.</td>
<td>The National Association of Broadcasters has a similar code, but unfortunately not even the subscribers live up to the code.</td>
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<td>D. Health information</td>
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<td>Have students take one magazine and count all of the health-related advertisements.</td>
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<td>a. Superstitions</td>
<td>Health information based on superstition, ignorance or prejudice, rather than scientific evidence, can be expensive and harmful to the health consumer.</td>
<td>Ask students to collect as many superstitions as they can find that relate to health. Discuss these in terms of their scientific credibility.</td>
<td>Some unusual superstitions are: A baby will not grow if a hat is placed on his head before he is a year old. Illness of a child may be prevented by bathing him in greasy dishwater. A sore throat is cured by drinking water out of a stranger's shoe. You will not be sick the following year if you dip your head in the ocean on January 1st. Sleeping with a dog prevents rheumatism. Other superstitions are more plausible, yet equally useless.</td>
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<td>b. Ignorance or prejudice</td>
<td>Family customs are a strong force in determining health practices and attitudes.</td>
<td>As a class project, choose one example of ignorance relative to health, and write a brief statement about the effects of such ignorance on the health consumer. A series of these informative statements could appear as a regular feature in the school newspaper.</td>
<td>The individual who through ignorance or prejudice insists on being his own doctor can lose his life. Self-diagnosis and treatment of abdominal pain costs thousands of lives a year. The abdominal pain that turns out to be a ruptured appendix after treatment with a laxative is a good example.</td>
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<td>d. Expoundings of the quack</td>
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<td>Review the characteristics of a quack in the grades 7, 8, 9 material.</td>
<td>It is important to remember the quack's dominating motive is to make money.</td>
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<td>e. Commercialized health information</td>
<td>There are many reliable sources of health information available to the interested consumer.</td>
<td>Compare health information pamphlets prepared by commercial agencies to those prepared by a professional or governmental agency. Pamphlets on care of skin, hair, and teeth, as well as foods and drugs, might be used. Which might be more valid and why?</td>
<td>Family physician, county medical society, local health office, hospital administrator, health educator, voluntary health organizations, professional health organizations, and government health organizations are reliable sources of health information.</td>
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<td>Before accepting health advice, consideration should be given to the qualifications of the person offering the advice.</td>
<td>Ask students to compile a list of sources of health information they consider reliable. Bring in ads from a popular magazine or paper. Use the guidelines to evaluate the products and services offered.</td>
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<td>II. Contemporary Quackery and Pseudo-scientific Practice</td>
<td>Any disease with an unknown etiology and no known sure cure is prey to the quack's unscrupulous tactics.</td>
<td>Contact a consumer affairs agency in your community for literature and guest speakers, e.g.: Better Business Bureau, Consumer Protection Bureau, etc.</td>
<td>The etiology of cancer is unknown. Some forms of cancer are incurable, but many forms are curable if medical treatment is instituted in time.</td>
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<td>A. Cancer and arthritis quackery</td>
<td>Cancer quackery is one of the cruelest types of quackery, since the person who goes to a cancer quack may delay medical treatment until it is too late.</td>
<td>Medical treatments for cancer are surgery, radium, X-ray, radioactive isotopes, and other chemotherapy.</td>
<td>Cancer quacks can be classified as follows: dumb – he knows not, but does not know he knows not deluded – he knows a little, but distorts his little bit of knowledge dishonest – he knows not and he knows he knows not (These classifications can be applied to all kinds of quacks.)</td>
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<td>a. Quack techniques</td>
<td>(1) Poultices and pastes (as therapeutic techniques) have been virtually abandoned by physicians, it is not uncommon for quacks to use these modalities.</td>
<td>Ask students to make up an ad for a cancer treatment that sounds legitimate, but is absolutely worthless. A contest can be held to choose the most convincing ad. The winner might receive the title of &quot;King or Queen of Quacks.&quot; The prize could be a toy duck that quacks.</td>
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<td>A liquid in the form of an aerosol spray can was used in a &quot;Drive-In&quot; for cancer prevention in California.</td>
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<td>(3) Gadgets</td>
<td>Students may be able to bring in examples of gadgets, poultices, and internal remedies that have been promoted by quacks.</td>
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<td>The Orgone Accumulator made a lot of money for the inventor. It was found to be a wooden &quot;tub&quot; lined with zinc. The patient sat in this and it was supposed to draw the cancer out.</td>
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(4) Internal remedies

Internal "remedies" are those nostrums usually administered orally or by injection.

(5) Diet

There is no scientific evidence to indicate that diet, as a therapeutic factor, is related to cancer.

b. Mexican centers for cancer cures

Even though many quack cancer treatments have been exposed and banned in this country, it is still possible for one to receive these treatments in some areas of Mexico.

Although these conditions exist in some parts of Mexico, authorities recently closed one of these cancer quack centers.

Some cancer diets:
- grape cure
- cabbage cure
- a combination of soy beans, rose hips, and sesame oil.

Some vitamin products have been advertised as cancer cures.

Appendix B contains a brief listing of several internal quack remedies.

of the body, and at the same time, the patient would absorb the energizing, youth preserving powers of the universe.
c. I.A.C.V.F.  
(International Association of Cancer Victims and Friends)

d. Patrons of the cancer quack

Quack treatment of the early cancer patient is especially dangerous, because of the delay of adequate treatment that might otherwise be provided by a competent medical practitioner.

(1) Neurotics

Neurotics may be afraid they have cancer but do not. They are excellent bait for cancer quacks. As a consequence of his contact with the quack, the neurotic's chief loss is money.

(2) Former cancer patients

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<td>(3) Patients in early stage of cancer</td>
<td>(4) Incurable cancer patients</td>
<td>2. Arthritis and rheumatism quackery</td>
<td>Some patients may have begun legitimate treatment and become discouraged so they look for a &quot;miracle&quot; cure. They may go directly to a quack and lose their chance of being cured at all.</td>
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<td>Call students' attention to the numerous products advertised on TV to treat arthritis and/or rheumatism. Do they claim to cure arthritis? alleviate the discomfort? Are these commercials misleading? How? Survey: How many students have an arthritic victim in their family?</td>
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<td>a. Review of concepts</td>
<td>Briefly review the general nature of arthritis, differentiating between rheumatoid and osteoarthritis.</td>
<td>The specific etiology of arthritis is unknown, although certain predisposing factors make an individual more prone to the disease. There is no known cure.</td>
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<td>b. Quack remedies</td>
<td>It has been estimated that approximately 15% of the arthritics in the U.S. use quack devices that have been ruled useless and/or dangerous by the F.D.A.</td>
<td>Legitimate treatments include st. oid hormones, rest, physical therapy, surgery (on rare occasion), gold injections and salicylate therapy. (Aspirin is commonly used and is often effective in controlling the symptoms of the disease.) The physician uses different methods of treatment for individual cases.</td>
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<td>(1) Devices</td>
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  a. illegal vibrators. They may have harmful effects if the affected part needs rest. |

  b. roto-view. The Food and Drug Administration found this device to consist of a plastic lamp shade over an ordinary light bulb. |

  c. pads and mitts filled with radioactive minerals. Most of these were found to contain ordinary top soil. One gadget, however, was so full of radio- |
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<td>(2) Uranium mines</td>
<td>The radiation from uranium mines has never proven to be an effective arthritis treatment.</td>
<td>Movie: &quot;Misery Merchants&quot; (29 minutes). This movie tells the story of an arthritic victim and her involvement with quack devices and the development of a uranium mine for treatment of arthritis. It is well done and makes an impression on the students.</td>
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<td>(3) Mineral spas and baths</td>
<td>Hydrotherapy is sometimes used to relieve the symptoms of arthritis, but, like all other treatments, it is not a cure.</td>
<td>People have paid $10.00 a day or more for the privilege of sitting in the dampness of a uranium mine to absorb the radioactive rays that were promised to cure them.</td>
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- Active material it burned the patient's skin.
- Copper bracelets and other bands. These are as useless as the old time superstition that a cat's heart dried and steeped in honey and worn around the neck would make the person invisible.
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<td>(4) Drugs</td>
<td>Instead of following the advice of a physician, many arthritics choose their own pain-relieving drugs, most of which are much more expensive and no more effective than aspirin, the compound recommended by many physicians.</td>
<td>Evaluate ads for aspirin and other drugs. When a product is advertised as containing &quot;the ingredient most doctors recommend,&quot; determine what that ingredient is.</td>
<td>Glorified aspirin, costing many times the amount of ordinary aspirin, is big business.</td>
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<td>(5) Curative foods</td>
<td>There is no empirical evidence to suggest that any food or group of foods is effective in curing arthritis.</td>
<td>Advertisements for liniments are easy to find. Determine what the active ingredient is and if it is valuable in alleviating pain temporarily.</td>
<td>Irradiated water has been advocated for arthritis.</td>
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<td>(6) Liniments</td>
<td>Repeated use of liniments should be avoided by the arthritic unless it has been recommended by his physician.</td>
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<td>Drugs made of herbs and juices are popular with the arthritic quack.</td>
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<td><strong>B. Pseudoscientific practices</strong></td>
<td>A representative of your county medical society might be able to speak on the existence of pseudomedical practice in your area.</td>
<td>If a liniment promises more than temporary relief, it is an outright lie. It is possible for some liniments to aggravate arthritis and cause painful irritation to the skin.</td>
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|                   | The unfortunate existence of pseudomedical science is the result of:  
- the tendency of most physical illnesses to run a course and vanish, with or without treatment and,  
- the fact that many physical illnesses are psychosomatic. | | The pseudosciences have tremendous appeal for a gullible public. Millions of dollars a year are wasted on them. Man believes in a pseudoscience to satisfy his needs and solve his problems. He attempts to achieve feelings of security and adequacy through artificial means when he has not attained them through mature judgment and action. |

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1. **Physiological basis**
   a. **Homeopathy**

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The theory behind homeopathy is that the more infinitesimal the dose of "medicine" is, the more potent it is, and the more potent it becomes the less "material" it is and the more "spiritual" it becomes. Modern homeopathists also say that after the material substance has vanished there are mysterious radiation effects.

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Some examples of homeopathic medicines are asterias rubens (powdered starfish), mephitis (skunk secretions), cimeslectularius (crushed live bedbugs), acidum uricum (uric acid from human urine or snake excrement).

Most homeopathic medicines are from plants, but some are now being "proved" from metallic compounds.

Although homeopathy is declining in the United States, there remain many advocates.

Generally the legitimate homeopathists are men who have standard M.D.'s and, in the matter of diagnosis, surgery, etc., they employ all the methods of orthodox medical science. It is in the matter of drugs that they call upon the homeopathic tradition. But even in the matter of drugs the legitimate homeopathists will also use allopathic (a homeopathic term for orthodox medicines) medicines as well.

There are, of course, some homeopaths left in this country who are not M.D.'s, but quacks.
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<td>b. Naturopathy</td>
<td>Naturopaths do not accept the bacterial theory of disease causation but believe that all disease is the result of violation of the natural laws of living and can be cured by nature's forces.</td>
<td>N.D. stands for Doctor of Naturopathy. Naturopaths do not use drugs or surgery.</td>
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<td>There was no one founder of naturopathy. Although it is not known exactly how many naturopaths are practicing in the United States today, it is estimated that there are over 2,000.</td>
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<td>The treatments consist of enemas, vitamins, minerals, chlorophyll, vegetable and fruit juices, cow's raw milk, hot packs, fasting, exercising, etc., for diseases ranging from a toothache or common cold to cancer and syphilis. One naturopath has advocated a grape diet as a cure for cancer. A typical treatment for appendicitis is fasting for a short period, then taking a cold water enema for four days, followed by a special diet.</td>
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<td>Naturopaths depend on nature's forces such as water, air, sunlight, electricity, exercise, rest, diet, and mental and moral science for the cure of disease. X-rays have been added in recent years.</td>
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2. Psychologically-based

a. Hypnosis

Hypnosis is an artificially induced state resembling sleep where the person is open to suggestion.

Students: Look up Freud's use of hypnosis.

Investigate the story of Bridey Murphy.

Report on "the use of hypnosis in medicine." Have a student report on the possible dangers of hypnosis in the hands of an unqualified person.

b. Psycho-quacks

The person under hypnosis will not do anything that is repugnant to him, although he may follow rather silly suggestions. A person under hypnosis will always "wake up" eventually even if he is never told to. While under hypnosis he can frequently recall facts from far back in his experience, but he can never recall mysterious facts that never occurred.

Legitimate uses of hypnosis are for anesthesia and treatment of mental disturbances.

The American Psychological Association has reported that increasing numbers of unqualified persons are engaging in counseling, sensitivity training, and other forms of therapy. Such quackery poses a danger to the public.

There are a dozen or so naturopathic colleges in the United States which award the degree of Doctor of Naturopathy. Some of these colleges require a high school diploma and others do not.
III. Health Personnel and Medical Care

A. Physicians and dentists

1. General practitioner

A general practitioner or family doctor may refer a patient with a complex problem to a medical specialist.

Movie: "Even for One," 28 minutes. Sterling Movies. Describes the services of a general practitioner.

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Have students prepare for class discussion short reports of such topics as:

1. astrology
2. phrenology
3. physiognomy
4. palm reading
5. graphology

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<td>2. Medical specialist</td>
<td>Medical specialists are physicians who have had specific preparation in depth in a particular area of medicine.</td>
<td>Initiate this discussion by polling the class for a list of all the medical specialists they can think of.</td>
<td>2 years of medical school. The second part at the end of 4 years of medical school, and the last part is taken at the end of the internship. If the physician passes these Board examinations, he is qualified to practice in the majority of the states without taking the state board examination.</td>
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<td>a. Board qualified specialist</td>
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<td>Specialty board examinations are given the candidate after completion of the required advanced training.</td>
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<td>b. Diplomate</td>
<td>A person who has received a diploma or certificate. In medicine the term refers particularly to a holder of a certificate of the National Board of Medical Examiners or of one of the American Boards in the Specialties.</td>
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<td>A physician who has completed all of the required specialty training, but does not take the specialty board examination is said to be board qualified or board eligible.</td>
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<td>A specialist who passes the specialty board examinations, receives certification as a specialist from his own specialty board and becomes a diplomat in his specialty.</td>
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<td>c. Types of medical specialists</td>
<td>Expanding knowledge in every area of medicine has made medical specialties a necessity.</td>
<td>If the students' textbooks do not include a list of medical specialists, distribute a mimeographed sheet of same including a brief, one sentence description of each. This sheet may serve as a guide for student questions and discussion.</td>
<td>The specialists listed are supplemental to the lists in grades 4, 5, and 6.</td>
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<td>3. Dental specialists</td>
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<td>All training requirements are past the basic M.D. and internship.</td>
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<td>Review the functions of the orthodontist, periodontist, and pedodontist from grades 4, 5, 6. Review the function of the dental hygienist.</td>
<td>Movie: &quot;Report on Bootleg Dentistry&quot; (1963) American Dental Association.</td>
<td>A basic Doctor of Dental Science or Doctor of Dental Medicine degree requires at least 2 years of college (most dental schools now require 4 years) and 4 years of dental school. This qualifies the dentist to do general practice. If he wishes to specialize, he must take extra training.</td>
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<td>a. Endodontist</td>
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<td>The endodontist works in the branch of dentistry concerned with the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of diseases of the dental pulp and its surrounding tissues.</td>
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<td>b. Oral pathologist</td>
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<td>The oral pathologist performs the same duties as a medical pathologist, but confines his study to the area of the mouth.</td>
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<td>c. Oral surgeon</td>
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<td>The oral surgeon performs surgery involving the mouth, e.g., extraction of unerupted wisdom teeth, repair of broken jaw.</td>
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<td>d. Prosthodontist</td>
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<td>False teeth, either replacement of one or more missing teeth or the replacement of a whole set, are made with close attention to the shape, size, and color of the original teeth. The prosthodontist is an artist.</td>
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<td>4. Selecting a Physician or Dentist</td>
<td>The effort involved in selecting your doctor and dentist is worthwhile if your choices prove to be professionally competent individuals with whom you are able to establish a satisfying doctor-patient relationship.</td>
<td>Ask parents how they selected their health advisers for each specialty. List those more commonly used. Write down responses. Have a student tabulate responses using the following categories: neighbor, family, friends, medical or dental societies, recommendation by a specialist, others. Report findings to class. Discuss validity of sources.</td>
<td>Guidelines: 1. Is the physician licensed to practice in the state in which he resides? 2. Is he a graduate of an approved medical or dental school? 3. Is he a member of the local, state, or national professional societies? 4. Is he a staff member of an approved hospital or clinic? 5. Does he periodically increase his skill and knowledge by attending conferences, etc.? 6. Does he possess a personality that inspires confidence?</td>
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**b. Procedures**

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Have students discuss how they would go about selecting a physician in a new community.

Obtain a copy of the medical directory and familiarize students with it by looking up some of the local physicians.

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- Obtain a copy of the medical directory and familiarize students with it by looking up some of the local physicians.
- Check professional membership by contacting the professional societies or their directories. (Can be found in most libraries.)
- Check standing and reputation in the community from a competent source.
- Make an appointment and see if his personality is compatible with yours.

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7. Has he established a reputation for professional ethics and good character?
8. Has he had a variety of experiences to develop his skill?

When moving to a new area it is important to select a physician or dentist before an emergency arises. If possible, obtain suggestions from your previous physician and dentist.
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<td>B. Paramedical specialties</td>
<td>There are a number of professions closely allied with the medical profession, that make up a team to serve the health needs of the public. These include physical, occupational, and speech therapy, and the activity of medical social workers.</td>
<td>(See Appendix C)</td>
<td>Appendix D contains a listing of additional health personnel that are members of the comprehensive medical services team.</td>
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<td>C. Other health personnel (See Appendix D)</td>
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<td>D. Medical care</td>
<td>Medical care personnel and practices have changed markedly in the past 25 years.</td>
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<td>1. Trends</td>
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<td>The family physician is being replaced by specialists. Comprehensive care has been changed to limited care because of specialization. Solo practices are giving way to group practices. Home visits by the physician have been replaced to a great extent by the patient's visiting the physician's office, clinics, or hospital. The little black bag has given way to the scientific setting of the office or hospital. The emphasis is now moving toward preventive medicine rather than curative medicine.</td>
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<td>Compare the &quot;good old days&quot; with today's practices by having students report on medical practices of their parents' or grandparents' day.</td>
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<td>Research sources of information on the major changes in the medical care scene in the last 25 years. Include the reasons for, and the advantages and disadvantages of, the movement from: a. general practice</td>
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a. Physician-patient ratio

The type and quality of medical care received is determined to a great extent by the availability of physicians in a particular geographic area.

Efforts to encourage physicians to relocate from cities to rural areas (to more equitably distribute medical

b. solo practice to group practice

Initiate a discussion on the factors influencing physician-patient ratio (e.g. economics, urbanization)

Why are the United States statistics misleading?

Relate the Mississippi statistic to the economy of the state, the high infant mortality rate, and the ethnic make-up of the population.

Student project: Find out the physician-patient ratio in your own community, either on a city or county basis. (The county medical society or the city directory will list the number of physicians in practice.)

Discuss the possible ways in which a more even distribution of physicians could be encouraged.

The hospital originally for only the needy is now for everyone.

There is a great inequity in the distribution of physicians on a world-wide basis.

1960 statistics:
- Israel--1:400
- Afghanistan--1:41,000
- Nigeria--1:96,000
- United States--1:780
- Recommended ratio for United States --1:740

There are about 295,000 physicians in the United States.

Physician-population ratio in the United States:
- Mississippi--1:1,450
- Washington, D.C.--1:540
- New York City--1:595

There are over 1100 counties in the United States with one physician for every 1700 people.

Incentives such as government subsidies to physicians who would practice in rural areas failed.

Recommended ratio for United States --1:740

There are about 295,000 physicians in the United States.
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b. Method of payment

The physician may be paid according to the type of medical care plan his patients have.

2. Medical care plans

Notwithstanding the fact that the costs of medical care have increased more than other types of expenditures, we still spend less on medical care than on many other products and services.

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Determine how the consumer dollar is spent.

Students: make a pie graph indicating the relative amounts spent for each item.

Movie: "Dialogue With Life" 20 minutes. The movie deals with modern medical practices and how payment for hospital care is made possible by health insurance.

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Subsidies by the community for office and home have been offered, but this has not produced a mass exodus from the cities.

1. Fee for service--this is a predetermined schedule of fees for specific services.
2. Salary--based on time.
3. Capitation--based on the number of people cared for. The physician receives "so much a head."

Voluntary health insurance is designed to assist the individual and his family in avoiding financial hardship when ill health or accidents occur. The principle involved is regular

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<td>(1) Blue Cross-Blue Shield</td>
<td>Blue Cross-Blue Shield plans are among the most common of the several voluntary, group health insurance plans available in the United States.</td>
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<td>- Hospital expense protection</td>
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<td>- Surgical expense</td>
<td>Surgical expense insurance provides a set amount to cover surgeon's fees.</td>
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<td>- Regular medical expense</td>
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- Major medical expense

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Major medical insurance protects a family (or individual) from catastrophic losses that would otherwise place the family heavily in debt.

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Student project: Find the total cost of an illness such as a stroke. Include expenses for hospital, drugs, nursing care, physicians, ambulance, loss of income, etc.

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This type of insurance covers catastrophic illnesses. It is relatively new, beginning in 1949.

Major medical insurance does not pay for minor illnesses. The policy holder pays for these himself (unless he also has an insurance policy to cover the minor illnesses). Policies have a maximum benefit clause that may range from $2,500 to $15,000. There may also be a deductible clause. Some policies call for the insurance company to pay 75% to 80% of the expense with the patient being responsible for the rest.

HIP is a health insurance plan in effect in New York City.

It is a prepaid group medical insurance plan.

This plan was originated to care for the municipal workers in New York City. Now other people may join.

The plan does not cover hospital expenses.

There are three quarters of a million people now enrolled in 32 different medical centers.
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<td><strong>b. Criteria for selecting a plan</strong></td>
<td>Before one chooses a health insurance policy, he should first make certain the company is reliable, and then select a policy with provisions adequate for his specific needs.</td>
<td>In what way is the consumer protected from disreputable insurance companies? Have students ask physicians about the type of insurance plan they favor and why.</td>
<td>The person has a choice of physicians within each group. Guidelines for choosing a plan: 1. Provides high quality medical care by physicians affiliated with an approved hospital with competent nursing service 2. Coverage for both chronic and acute illnesses for the wage earner and his dependents 3. A free choice of physicians 4. A choice of accredited hospitals 5. A non-profit or low cost operating program 6. Fee schedule sufficiently high to attract and hold competent physicians.</td>
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<td><strong>c. Compulsory or government medical care programs</strong></td>
<td>Special efforts have been made to extend adequate medical services to those who are unable to bear the costs of such care.</td>
<td>Have students report on socialized medicine in Britain and other countries. Follow this by a debate of the question: &quot;Are government medical care programs a move toward socialized medicine?&quot; Get a physician's point of view.</td>
<td>Voluntary health insurance does not meet the health needs of all of the citizens of the United States. About 6 million people receive public assistance. There are millions more who are close to needing public aid, but they do not receive it.</td>
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#### (1) Medicare

Medicare is a two part health insurance plan designed to benefit all persons 65 years of age and over.

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- Discuss the reasons medical needs of the aged have become a major problem.
- Stress the contributory approach of Medicare in contrast to the public assistance approach.
- What are some of the financial problems of the aged?

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

- Medical care for the poor or indigent is the oldest of public programs.
- The indigent now include the aged, blind, dependent children, and the totally disabled.
- Medicare went into effect on July 1, 1966.
- An increase in the social security tax pays for the benefits of the basic plan.
- The aged have low incomes, but many of their expenses are less. When debts are incurred, they are large and usually come from medical bills. The aged have no way of replenishing their assets. They have difficulty obtaining voluntary health insurance and the premiums are higher just at the time they can least afford it. Most commercial underwriters have stipulations regarding age.
  - a. The need for medical care is greatest after age 65
  - b. Hospital stays are twice as long as in younger age groups
  - c. The need for health services is two and one half times greater than that for other age groups.
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| - Basic plan      | Obtain copies of the booklet describing Medicare benefits and use for student discussion. | The first part of the Medicare program is called the Basic Plan. All persons 65 years of age and over are eligible for this part of the program automatically. | d. Chronic, degenerative diseases are maladies of the aged  
e. There are no mass preventive measures  
f. Diagnostic and treatment procedures are expensive |
| - Voluntary plan   | To gain a better understanding of how Medicare operates, prepare several actual problems for the students to solve. | The person 65 or over may or may not adopt the second part of the plan. It is designed to cover other medical expenses. | |

Example: A man, 65 years old, suffers a stroke. He is covered by both the basic and voluntary plans. He spends 80 days in the hospital and 30 days in the nursing home.

Hospital bill - $2400  
Nursing home - $200  
Doctor's bill - $600  
The patient pays:  
hospital ____  
nursing home ____  
doctor ____
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<td>(2) Medicaid</td>
<td>Medicaid is a state program for medical assistance for needy persons.</td>
<td>Total cost of illness: Medicare pays _______ Patient pays _______</td>
<td>The individual state makes its decision as to whether or not it will adopt such a program.</td>
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<td>Discuss: Is health care a right or a concession?</td>
<td>Is the contributory or public assistance approach better? Advantages? Disadvantages?</td>
<td>There are 20 states with programs for the medically needy. The state must make application to the federal government as, in theory, the federal government is supposed to assume 55-83% of the cost. The state pays 40% of the rest and local governments pay 60% of the rest. To be reimbursed by the federal government the state must provide (by law) the following services: outpatient hospital services, laboratory and X-ray services, in-patient hospital services, skilled nursing home services, and physicians services. A state may elect to provide additional services such as payment for drugs, dental services, home nursing services, blood transfusions, ambulances, naturopaths, glasses, appliances, and hearing aids.</td>
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(3) New York State's Medicaid

3. Medical care facilities
   a. Hospitals

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The Medicaid program adopted in New York State is in a state of flux, since opinions differ concerning income level eligibility for benefits and the amount of fees to be paid for medical and surgical expenses.

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Compare Medicaid and Medicare. List the similarities and the differences. Ask students to write their own opinions as to the merits or disadvantages of the two types of programs.

Have all students read the American Medical Association pamphlet "Let's Use - Not Abuse Health Insurance."

Have students read the American Medical Association pamphlet "How to Be a Better Patient." Encourage their reactions to this reading.

FUNCTIONS OF A HOSPITAL TODAY ARE:
1. Training of physicians, nurses, technicians, and other personnel
2. Research
3. Promoting the highest standard of medical care
4. Comprehensive total patient care

The hospital is also the community health center because it is the building with the largest concentration of health resources. It provides a broad range of services such as preventive medicine, surgery.
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<td>b. Hospital systems</td>
<td>There are various types of hospital systems, each serving its own particular type of function.</td>
<td>Have students give examples of federal, state, and local government hospitals. Discuss how they differ and why.</td>
<td>postoperative care, obstetrical care, laboratory services, rehabilitation services, etc.; and the quality of care can be controlled by auditing committees.</td>
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<td>(1) Government hospitals</td>
<td>One third of all hospitals in the United States are owned by the government, but two-thirds of all hospital beds are government operated.</td>
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<td>The United States Public Health Service, the Veteran's Administration, and the military operate the various federally-owned hospitals. They serve special beneficiaries such as the merchant seamen, veterans, Indians, servicemen and women, and some government employees.</td>
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<td>The federal hospital system includes hospitals for narcotic addicts located at Lexington, Ky., and Ft. Worth, Texas, and the National Leprosarium for lepers at Carville, La.</td>
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<td>There are state hospitals for the care of the mentally ill and other types of chronic diseases.</td>
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<td>County hospitals are usually general hospitals.</td>
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<td>Not all counties have a county hospital.</td>
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<td>(2) Nongovernment hospitals</td>
<td>Voluntary community hospitals are nonprofit organizations providing general care for short-term illnesses.</td>
<td>Ask student volunteers to survey the hospitals servicing their community. Survey could include: a. type of control/financing b. nature of service provided c. bed capacity Discussion might follow on whether these services are adequate and appropriate for the community.</td>
<td>The hospitals are run by cooperative groups, church, or labor organizations. They provide short term care. The greatest number of nongovernment hospitals are of this type.</td>
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<td>- Voluntary community hospitals</td>
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<td>- Proprietary hospitals</td>
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<td>Proprietary hospitals are under private ownership and are run for profit. Only 3% of the total hospital beds in the United States are of this type.</td>
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<td>- Nursing homes</td>
<td>Voluntary community hospitals are nonprofit organizations providing general care for short-term illnesses.</td>
<td>How many nursing homes serve your community? Has there been an increase in the number of these homes in recent years? Why?</td>
<td>Only 5% of the nursing homes are government operated. Most nursing homes are operated for profit.</td>
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<td>E. The consumer and the drug industry</td>
<td>Drug industries are big business whose primary purpose is to sell their product.</td>
<td>Films on the drug industries are listed in the reference section.</td>
<td>Ethical drug companies may also manufacture &quot;over-the-counter&quot; drugs that do not require a prescription. These are called proprietary drugs.</td>
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1. Ethical drug companies
2. Cost of drugs
   a. Advertising
   b. Generic versus brand name drugs

### MAJOR UNDERSTANDINGS AND FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS

- Firms that manufacture prescription drugs are called ethical drug companies.
- Ethical drug companies aim their advertising at the physician, but it is the consumer who pays the price.
- Drugs sold under the brand name are usually more expensive than those sold under the generic name.
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- In your community, calculate the number of physicians assigned to each detail man and see how much money is spent on each physician in this type of advertising program.
- Request a local physician to save a single bottle, tube, etc. of each drug sample sent to him during a period of one month. The volume of these samples is quite impressive and will help your students to appreciate the high cost of some medicines.
- Discussion: Why does the physician object to using the generic name? Why do pharmacists object?

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

- There are approximately 295,000 physicians in the United States. The ethical drug companies employ 15,000 detail men. Detail men are the drug salesmen. They visit each physician on their route about once a month trying to get the physician to use their particular drug company's products.
- Ethical drug companies spend about 750 million dollars a year promoting their products. The increase in sales volume has gone from 200 million dollars a year in 1939 to over 2 billion dollars a year.

- The generic name for a drug is the officially established or chemical name of the drug. All drug companies are allowed to sell drugs by their generic name. The brand name is the company's name for the same drug. Examples of the differences in prices of two
Some of the reasons physicians do not use generic names are:

a. They lack sufficient information pertaining to the product.
b. The detail men have used subtle advertising approaches.
c. Physicians want the assurance that generic name drugs will meet the same standards in quality as brand name drugs.

Pharmacists are opposed because:

a. they say they have no way of knowing of the reliability of some of the drug firms.
b. although druggists are allowed a 60% mark-up on generic drugs they say they will lose money by not being allowed to use the brand name drugs.
3. New drugs

a. Patents for new drugs

There are two basic types of patents for all drugs, the product patent and the process patent.

Should there be patents for drugs? List reasons why and why not.

b. Type of purchase

The private consumer pays more than anyone else.

c. Geographical influence

Drugs cost more in the United States than any other country in the world.

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Have students prepare a brief paper on the reasons for the variation in drug costs. What would be the advantages and disadvantages of government price regulations?

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Comparison of the prices of Miltown, a tranquilizer

- Argentina $ .85
- Germany 1.30
- Mexico 2.18
- Belgium 4.64
- United States 5.42

Comparison of the price of a tranquilizer sold per 1000 tablets to:

- Retail druggist $39.50
- Government .60
- Consumer 65.83

Officials maintain that research by drug companies is minimal. Drug companies disagree.

Although a pharmacy must now stock about 2000 drug items in contrast to about 400 drug items 10 years ago, this does not necessarily reflect progress. There are still only four basic sulfonamides, but there are over 200 brand name sulfonamides.

A product patent is awarded to an inventor who has discovered a unique substance. The product does not occur in nature. The exception to this was the discovery of Vitamin B12.
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<td>b. Trademarks</td>
<td>Trademarks are not patents, but the specific mark of the drug manufacturer.</td>
<td>Relate the concept of trademarks and patents of drugs to other manufactured products in the United States. How does this compare with other businesses? How does it differ?</td>
<td>The process patent is awarded for a unique method of manufacturing a substance already known. Both types of patents extend for a period of years in the United States. Trademarks mean reputation. The drug industry and other interested parties believe that patents and trademarks serve as incentives to research and development of new drugs that make America the leading developer of new drugs.</td>
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<td>c. Drug testing</td>
<td>To facilitate public protection, the scientific community, governmental agencies, and the drug companies must cooperate and keep strict vigilance over drug testing for protection of the public.</td>
<td>Investigate the thalidomide disaster as an example of distributing inadequately tested drugs. (Life Science series has the story.)</td>
<td>The thalidomide disaster sparked a controversy over drug testing. The pharmaceutical manufacturing industry set up a Drug Safety Commission in August of 1962. The Commission proposed these recommendations: 1. Self regulation of the pharmaceutical industry. 2. Must make certain the drug tester is competent. Instances of &quot;professional research quacks&quot; are rare, but even one is too many. In 1963, a Maryland physician was indicted for falsifying experimental data. His results were too uniform to be real. He</td>
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had received $13,000 a year from a drug company for his "testing."

3. Investigation of files to become aware of past experimental drug failures so time and money will not be wasted on repetitive trials.

4. Special education of researchers in the sparsely populated field of teratology (human congenital malformation).

5. More scientific investigators for the Food and Drug Administration.

6. Education of the public.

7. Cooperation between law making and scientific bodies.

8. Grants to support institutional research and to compensate the investigator.

Refer to Strand II, Grades 7, 8,9- "Kefauver Harris drug amendments of 1962."
## Critical Analysis of Advertisements

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<td>1. What is the advertisement trying to make you believe?</td>
<td>Generally, ads provide little or no information concerning the etiology of a condition or the legitimate therapies that have been developed for this condition.</td>
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<td>2. What specific facts are provided concerning the condition or disease for which this product is to be used?</td>
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<td>3. Exactly what does the product contain, or, if it is a service, what does the service consist of?</td>
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<td>4. Does the ad contain half-truths?</td>
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<td>5. Is there any indication that the product may be harmful or irritating to some individuals?</td>
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<td>6. How does the advertisement make its appeal?</td>
<td>Advertisements may appeal to medical or scientific authority, to public gullibility, romance, strength (men), beauty (women), social prestige, etc.</td>
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<td>7. Has the advertiser used words such as &quot;may&quot; or &quot;if&quot; to protect himself?</td>
<td>Vague and often misleading terms or phrases prove confusing to consumers.</td>
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<td>8. Does the ad perpetrate a myth?</td>
<td>Many ads for dietary supplements are guilty of perpetrating myths. Hair restoration formulas and cosmetics are frequently guilty of this.</td>
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## Selected Internal Nostrums

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<td>Koch Treatment</td>
<td>The &quot;Koch Treatment&quot; was developed about 1914 by Dr. William Koch. It consisted of injections of &quot;glyosylide&quot; (ordinary tap water), a strict diet, and enemas. The cost of one injection of this cancer nostrum - $500.00.</td>
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<td>Krebiozen</td>
<td>Dr. Steven Durovic developed Krebiozen and brought it to the U.S. where it was promoted as a cancer cure by Dr. Andrew Ivy. Laboratory analyses have shown that krebiozen consists of mineral oil and the common chemical, creatine. The F.D.A. has withdrawn this product from interstate commerce.</td>
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<td>Cellular Therapy</td>
<td>Dr. Paul Nieham is the alleged inventor of &quot;cellular therapy.&quot; Used for a variety of maladies (i.e., leukemia). This nostrum consists of dried cells from freshly slaughtered lambs. These are injected into the person's body.</td>
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<td>Laetrile</td>
<td>The perpetrators of this product are Dr. Ernest Krebs, and his two sons. A sugar compound obtained from apricot pits is the main ingredient in laetrile. Glenn Kittler, a journalist, wrote a paperback entitled, Laetrile, Control for Cancer, which has since been banned in the U.S.</td>
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<td>Hoxey Treatment</td>
<td>The &quot;Hoxey Treatment&quot; combines a nostrum with a diet. It consists of kidney tablets, calcium tablets, Vitamin C, and a diet that excludes salt, sugar, bleached flour, pork, tomatoes, and pickles.</td>
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<td>(1) Clinical psychologist</td>
<td>Psychologists are involved in both the prevention and treatment of behavior disorders. There are various types of psychologists, each requiring a specific type of training. To attain the Ph.D. in psychology, approximately 8 years of college are required. The clinical psychologist assists in the diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional difficulties. He usually works directly with the client, but may also become involved with the family, friends, physician, and teachers of the client.</td>
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<td>(2) Counseling psychologist</td>
<td>The counseling psychologist is a specialist in normal thinking and feeling, rather than abnormal thinking and feeling. Well-trained in counseling dynamics, most of these professionals hold the Ph.D. degree.</td>
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<td>(3) Social psychologist</td>
<td>Social psychologists study the social forces which influence individual and group behavior. They attempt to understand how social attitudes and behaviors develop, and how neighbors, friends, relatives, and the larger social scene interact.</td>
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<td>(4) Psychometrist</td>
<td>The psychometrist measures individual's mental, social, and/or emotional characteristics. His training may be less extensive than that required for other psychologists. Nonetheless, he is required to complete the master's degree and 1 year of supervised experience to be qualified.</td>
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<td>Psychiatric social worker</td>
<td>This specialist requires a depth background in both the behavioral and the social sciences. Usually this requires 4 years of college plus one year of special training in a clinical setting. The psychiatric social worker earns about $16,000 annually, representing a knowledge and social interaction, so as to enable the psychiatrist to better understand and treat the client.</td>
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<td>Podiatrist (Podiatry)</td>
<td>The functions of the podiatrist are included in the curriculum material for Grades 4, 5, and 6. This individual usually has 3 years of college education. A podiatrist must be licensed by the state in which he practices. There are only six (6) accredited schools of podiatry in the country.</td>
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<td>Health Educator</td>
<td>These professionals may teach in schools, colleges, universities, hospitals, and other health-related institutions. The scope of their duties includes public health, health education, and preventive medicine. Each of these functions requires specialized training and education.</td>
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<td><strong>B. Nurse (Practical)</strong></td>
<td>Nine (9) months in a school of practical nursing qualifies the practical nurse to take the state board examination. The licensed practical nurse (L.P.N.) may work in a hospital, doctor's office, private home, nursing home, etc. Not infrequently, the L.P.N. is under the supervision of the registered nurse (R.N.).</td>
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<td><strong>C. Osteopath (Osteopathy)</strong> (referred to as a physician and surgeon)</td>
<td>Osteopathy was founded by Dr. Andrew Taylor Still. Osteopathy has greatly raised its standards. There are at least 3 years of college required, plus 4 years of osteopathic school. Osteopaths are licensed to practice in all states. In 39 states and the District of Columbia, osteopaths have unlimited practice rights. In 20 states and the District of Columbia, osteopaths take the same basic examination for state board certification as their medical counterparts. In some states there has been an amalgamation of osteopathy and medicine. There are five osteopathic colleges approved by the American Osteopathic Association. Doctors of osteopathy serve as officers in the armed services, as officers in the Department of Medicine and Surgery, and in the Veteran's Administration.</td>
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<td><strong>D. Chiropractor (Chiropractic)</strong></td>
<td>Presently Chiropractic is a non-medical form of treatment which is based on the theory that disease can be treated by the manipulation of the spinal vertebrae. In addition to spinal manipulation, the chiropractor may use diet to restore the body's &quot;chemical balance,&quot; physical therapy, and psychiatric counseling. Differences exist within the profession as to its future role. While some wish to use drugs in treatment, others maintain the use of manipulation with reference to it as the drugless method of healing. Presently they are not</td>
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<td>Food Technologist</td>
<td>Applies scientific knowledge to the processing, packaging, preparation, distribution, and production of food in the commercial food industry.</td>
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<td>Nutritionist</td>
<td>Primarily an educational specialist, the nutritionist imparts knowledge of foods and nutrients so as to enhance the nutritional status of people.</td>
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<td>Sanitary Engineer</td>
<td>A public health worker responsible for creating and maintaining a healthful environment. Often concerned with sanitary conditions in swimming pools, restaurants, water supplies, milk, public housing, and the atmosphere.</td>
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<td>Science Writer</td>
<td>An experienced journalist whose rich background in the sciences enables him to write &quot;news items&quot; concerning the health of individuals and groups.</td>
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<td>Medical Illustrator</td>
<td>Using his artistic talents to illustrate medical facts or events, the medical illustrator frequently is employed by those who publish journals, popular magazines, etc.</td>
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CONSUMER HEALTH EDUCATION

Multimedia Resources

These supplementary aids have not been evaluated. The list is appended for teacher convenience only and teachers in the field are requested to critically evaluate the materials and to forward their comments to the Curriculum Development Center.

Books


Consumer Reports Buying Guide. 1969

Consumer Union Report on Life Insurance.


Medical Messiahs. James Harvey Young. 1968.


Books (cont'd)


Gardiner, M. *Fads and fallacies in the name of Science.* Dover Publisher. New York. 1957.


Margolius, Sidney. *Innocent consumer vs. the exploiters.* Pocket Books, Inc. New York. 1968. $ .95- (77013)


Books (cont'd)

A social history of patent medicine in America before Federal regulations.

Pamphlets

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.
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.

*Recommended for elementary school student use.
Pamphlets (cont'd)

Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation.
Arthritis quackery today.
Quackery in arthritis.

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. Betz 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.


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.


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Pamphlets (cont'd)

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.
Profile of a practicing physician.
*What's in your medicine chest?

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 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.


FDA Fact Sheets
CSS D2 Drug Side Effects.
CSS D3 Medicine: Prescription and Over-the-Counter.
CSS D4 Some Questions and Answers About Medicine.
CSS D5 Oral Contraceptives.
CSS D6 Self Medication.
CSS D7 Rainbow Pills.
CSS D10 Thalidomide.
CSS C1 Cosmetics.
CSS G8 How the Consumer Can Report.
CSS G7 Quackery.
CSS G10 Informational Materials.


PHSP 558 The Cancer Quacks.
PHSP 375 Cancer: What To Know, What To Do About It.

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Pamphlets (cont'd)


Pub. 2 - Requirements of the U.S. Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. .25
Pub. 5 - Facts for Consumers - FDA Approval of New Drugs. .15
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 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


*Changing Times.
"Don't get hooked by these mail frauds". July 1968.
"Gyps and swindles and schemes". June 1965.
"What the health hucksters are up to now". September 1964.

"Beware of mailman bearing gifts". November 1968.
"Let the reader beware". October 1965.


*Excellent sources-yearly subscription recommended.
Periodicals (cont'd)

Good Housekeeping.
"Our daughter was a victim of the world's cruellest hoax". November 1965.
"The medical dispute about treatment by chiropractors". May 1967.
"Unproven cancer cures that give false hope". May 1968.
"What's new at the institute? Lots of things". September 1965.

Journal of School Health.
"Consumer education for the young buyer". March 1967.
"Education—a weapon against quackery". January 1964.
"Educational defenses against quackery". March 1968.
"Educational resources against quackery". November 1964.
"Some possible psychological dynamics of consumer health misconceptions". August 1968.
"The educational approach to the question of quackery". March 1964.


New York State Health News.
"Food fakers flourish". March 1967.
"People, pain and promoters". December 1967.
"Public health and the consumer". January 1968.
"Quackery, old and new". March 1967.

PTA Magazine. "Quack and the dead". October 1968.


Science Digest. "Quacks, the would-be Mds. who can harm you". January 1969.

Seventeen. "Now to spot a fraud". April 1968.

Periodicals (cont’d)

*Today's Health.
  "Amazing facts about a crusade that can hurt your health". October 1966.
*"Do cold cures really work?". January 1961.
**"Doctors who helped win the west". September 1964.
**"Do your own! doctors of the old west". October 1963.
  "Facts on quackery". February 1966.
  "Facts on quackery: how to lose weight without diet, and other myths". November 1967.
  "Fighting space-age quackery, symposium". December 1966.
  "Food, fake and frauds". January 1969.
  "Foreign quackery menace Americans". January 1969.
  "Golden touch for chiropractors". June 1969.
**"Grandma had a cure for everything". May 1963.
  "Health insurance for everyone", November 1968.
  "Help the needy through Title 10, Medicaid". November 1967.
**"How some drugs get their names". April 1961.
**"How the guidance quacks work on your nurses". December 1961.
**"How to recognize a quack". February 1966.
  "Incredible brown soap". April 1966.
**"Influenza of superstition". April 1961.
  "Medicine, medical malpractice January 1967.
  "Medical remedies for automatism", November 1968.
**"Quackery in the old west". November 1966.
  "Quackery: menace to mental health", November 1968.
  "Strange tales of medical importance", October 1968.
  "The four hundred of quackery". May 1967.
**"The push for medical men of the future". March 1964.
**"Who's to blame for mutilated nonsense". May 1967.

Subscription: one-year subscription recommended.
**Recommended for elementary school use.
SUGGESTED AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS

Films


Choosing a doctor. McGraw-Hill Films, 330 West 43rd 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 43rd Street, New York, 17 minutes, shows how government agencies maintain supervision over medicines, cosmetics and other products.

Health careers. Health Career Film Service, 13 East 57th Street, New York, 15 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 practice 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. 20 minutes, black and white. Arthritis quackery. (Local or State Health Department.)

National Institutes of Health, 34 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.)
Films (cont'd)

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.

The drug debate. Lederle Laboratories, Pearl River, New York. congressional hearing.

The health fraud racket. Free short-term loan from National Audiovisual Center (Annex) Station K, Atlanta, Ga. 30334. Att: Distribution. 28 minutes, color. Shows how to spot quackery in the areas of food, drugs, cosmetics, and medical devices.

*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

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**Filmstrips**

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

*Florence Nightingale. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.*

*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.*

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


*Walter Reed. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.*

**Transparencies**


Drugs and Your Body. 21 transparencies with teacher's guide.

DCA Educational Products Inc, 4865 Stanton Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., 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.

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.

*Recommended for elementary school use.*
Filmstrips (cont'd)

*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.

SOURCES OF CONSUMER HEALTH EDUCATION MATERIALS

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.
Federal Trade Commission, Washington 25, D.C.
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 10010.
National Tuberculosis Association, 1790 Broadway, New York, New York 10019.
New York State Department of Health, 84 Holland Avenue, Albany, New York 12208.

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Public Affairs Committee, 381 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10016.


United States Post Office Department, Washington, D.C. 20260.