

# Medical Terminology: The Basics (Speedy Study Guides)

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Terms	Definitions
abnormal	not normal for the human body
ache	pain that won't go away
acute	quick to become unwell/sick
allergy	a body's abnormal reaction to certain foods or environmental substances (eg causes a rash)
ambulance	emergency vehicle that rushes people to a hospital
amnesia	a condition that causes people to lose their memory
amputation	permanent removal of a limb
anemia	occurs when the body doesn't have enough red blood cells
antibiotics	medication that kills bacteria and cures infections
anti-depressant	medication that helps relieve anxiety and sadness
appointment	a scheduled meeting with a medical professional
arthritis	a disease that causes the joints to become swollen and crippled
asthma (attack)	a condition that causes a blockage of the airway and makes it difficult for a person to breathe
bacteria	a disease-causing organism
bedsore	sores that develop on a patient's body from lying in one place for too long
benign	not harmful (but cancerous)
biopsy	removal of human tissue in order to conduct certain medical tests
blood count	the amount of red and white blood cells a person has
blood donor	a person who gives blood to a blood bank or other person
blood pressure	the rate at which blood flows through the body (high/low)
brace	a device that holds injured body parts in place
breach	position of an unborn baby in which the feet are down and the head is up
broken	a bone that is divided in two or more pieces as a result of an injury
bruise	injured body tissue that is visible underneath the skin
Cesarean section, C-section	procedure that involves removing a baby from its mother through an incision in the woman's lower abdomen
cancer	disease caused by the uncontrollable growth of cells
cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)	restoring a person's breath and circulation
cast	a hard bandage that is wrapped around a broken bone to keep it in place
chapel, chapelaine	a place where loved ones can go to pray for a patient's recovery; a priest who visits patients in the hospital
chemotherapy	type of treatment used on cancer patients
chickenpox	a virus commonly contracted by children, characterized by itchy spots all over the body
coroner	a person who determines the cause of death after a person dies

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