

## How-to-Use Guide

With all of the health care options available to you, finding the facts can be overwhelming. **Georgiahealthinfo.gov** has made comparing your options easy. Learn, compare and determine what health care options are available to you.

### Health Information Security and Privacy

Seems most information you need these days is available electronically. What if your medical records were also available electronically? The Federal government has set a goal for most Americans to have Electronic Health Records by 2014. What is an Electronic Health Record (EHR)? It is a computerized version of your medical data. By using an EHR, your medical information is electronically stored and can be shared by physicians treating you. A physician can instantly see your medical history including test results, allergies, and medications so time is saved in an emergency, as well as money, by not repeating costly medical tests. Some of the other benefits of EHRs include providing greater security and privacy than paper records. Learn more about the security and privacy of EHRs by logging onto [georgiahealthinfo.gov](http://georgiahealthinfo.gov) and clicking the **Health Information Security and Privacy** box on the Home Page.

## Navigation Bar



### Use the Navigation Bar to find additional information on:

- **Diseases & Conditions:** Search this section for articles from MayoClinic.com on diseases and conditions.
- **Search For Care:** Use the "Get Started Wizard" to help you search for either a hospital, pharmacy or an outpatient center in your area.
- **Compare Health Plans:** Obtain information to help you compare and choose the right health plan for you and your family.
- **Medical FAQs:** Find some of the most frequently asked medical questions plus the answers.
- **Healthy Living:** Search for information on nutrition, fitness, aging, pregnancy, parenting, stress management and much more.
- **Health & Wellness Tools:** Discover a calorie calculator, a stress assessment, a variety of slide shows and videos to help guide you through and answer important medical questions.



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Data Sources:

- Georgia Association of Health Plans (GAHP)
- Georgia Hospital Association (GHA)
- MayoClinic.com
- Office of Regulatory Service, Georgia Department of Human Resource
- Thomson Reuters



# Online Guide

## What can you do to take control of your health care decisions?

**1**  
Turn on a computer

**2**  
Log onto Georgia's new health care Web site

**3**  
Get the facts about Georgia's health care

Log onto [georgiahealthinfo.gov](http://georgiahealthinfo.gov) to learn the facts about Georgia's health care so you can know before you go.

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## Home Page

Find it all at a glance!

The georgiahealthinfo.gov Home Page is your first peek into the most comprehensive health information site on the Web. While the site focuses on health care services, providers and pharmacies within the state of Georgia, the health articles and information come from sources in the state and across the country.

Useful tools you'll find on the Home Page

- **Compare Care Now** – Search for providers in your area
- **Compare Health Care Options** – Compare providers and pharmacies in your area for services and costs
- **Georgia Health News** – Find the latest information on health care in Georgia
- **Compare Health Plans** – Compare health plan options and choose the right coverage for you and your family
- **Find it fast** – Use this tool to quickly look up a disease or condition
- **Healthy Body** – Move your mouse over the body to see a list of conditions for each area plus related health articles
- **Health Information Security and Privacy** – Click in this box to learn more about how physicians in Georgia are using technology to share medical information while protecting the security and privacy of your health records

## Compare Care

Using “Compare Health Care Options!”

Click “Compare Health Care Options” on the home page or click on the green **Search for Care** tab in the navigation bar to search for care options. The “Get Started Wizard” will appear to help you search for either a hospital, pharmacy or an outpatient center in your area. You simply enter your zip code and hit the “go” button. You will then see the hospitals, pharmacies or outpatient centers closest to you.

For the “Search AND Compare” option, go to the second section (look for the circle with a number **2** in the middle) and enter the required information in each field. Once you are done, hit the “submit” button. A list of facilities or pharmacies will appear. For example, if you are searching for a hospital, you’ll see a list of facilities plus important information you can use to compare options and make a health care decision that is best for you.

To assist you in choosing a health plan, click on the red **Compare Health Plans** tab. You’ll find information to help you compare and choose the right health plan for you and your family.

## Find Articles

Articles on Diseases and Conditions as well as tips for Healthy Living

To find information on diseases and conditions, click the blue **Diseases & Conditions** tab. You’ll find articles written by Mayo Clinic specialists, plus diagrams to help you understand many of the conditions.

To find articles and tips on healthy living, click the gold **Healthy Living** tab. This is a great section to find information on nutrition, fitness, aging, pregnancy, parenting, stress management and so much more.

To further help you achieve a healthier life, click the gray **Health & Wellness Tools** tab. You’ll find a calorie calculator, a stress assessment, a variety of slide shows and videos to help guide you through and answer life’s important medical questions.

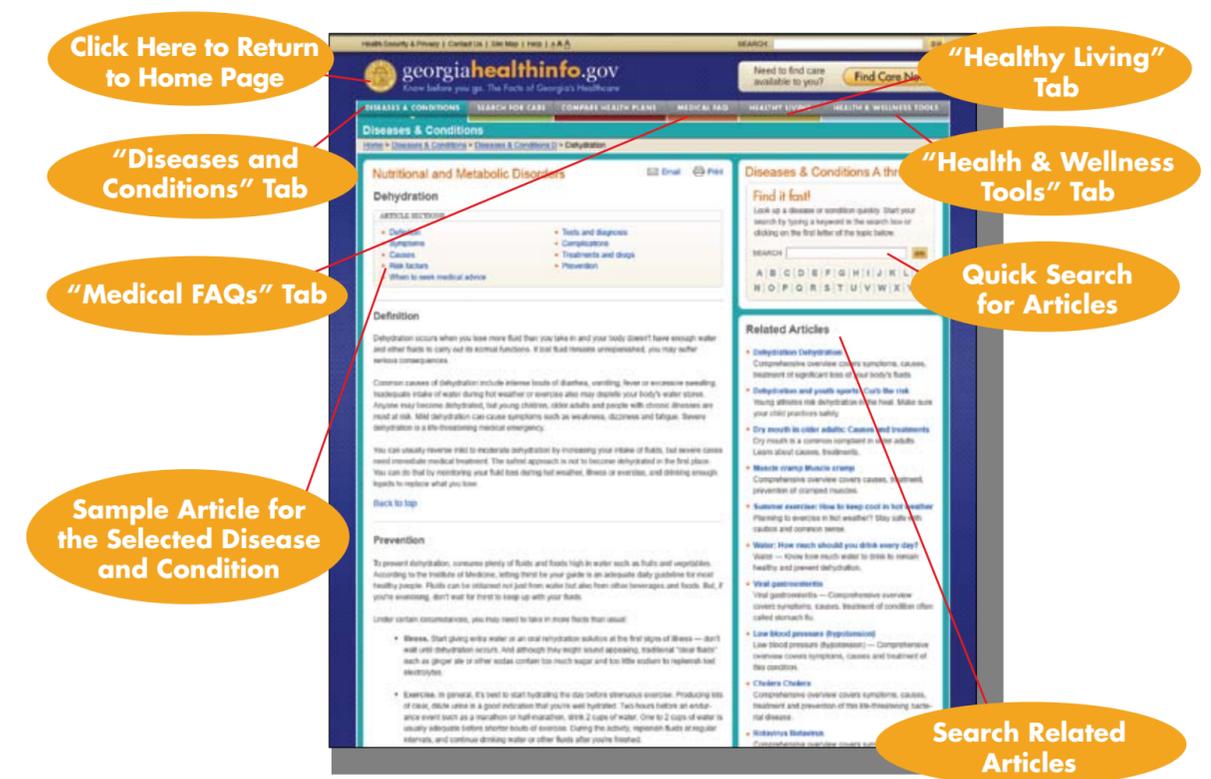
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