

Web Chat Guidelines for Teachers and Schools

Advance Preparation Instructions before the Web Chat:

- Visit the Cleveland Clinic Online Health Chat site at <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/health/chatreg/>.
- Click on “Create an Account”.
- Click on “New User Registration”.
- Fill out the registration fields on this page.
- Create your own login ID and password in order to login and participate in current or upcoming chats. It is recommended that each class submits questions using one our two usernames. Remember to record Login IDs and Passwords for future web chats!
- Click “Submit”.
- Review Chat Tips.
- Browse through the available web chats to find one that is related to current curricula and standards.
- Explore transcripts of previous web chats to determine the types of questions to submit.
- Brainstorm potential questions with the class. Select 1-3 questions to submit to the web chat. It is recommended that the teacher submits the questions.

Suggestions to Teachers:

- Identify Web Chats that supplement the curriculum and address the state and national education standards.
- Conduct Web Chat in computer lab or using projection screen, if available.
- Prepare students for the Web Chat by conducting preliminary research on the topic (i.e. web search, pod casts, books, digital media, popular press articles, etc.)
- The Web Chat is a public forum. Be sure to utilize proper computer etiquette throughout the Chat.
- Create a follow-up assignment or project that assesses student understanding of Web Chat concepts.
- Disclaimer: Cleveland Clinic online health chats are not a private forum and are meant for informational purposes only. They should not take the place of advice provided by a physician.

How to Participate in the Web Chat?

1. Return to the Cleveland Clinic Online Health Chat site at <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/health/chatreg/>.
2. Click “Login to Chat”.
3. Enter Login and Password (If you cannot remember your password click Forgot Your Password? Click Here link). You will now be able to do a live chat with Cleveland Clinic’s health professionals. Click “Login to Chat”.
4. To submit a question, type it into the text-entry box directly below the chat display then press Enter on your keyboard or hit the Ask button.
5. Questions can be submitted live (real-time) or in advance of the web chat. Live questions will be answered in real-time (as time permits). Answers can also be reviewed after the web chat as the transcript posted on-line (up to one week later).
6. Wait for the expert to answer your question on the topic.
7. Click on the green Transcript button to review the Transcript of questions and answers. If you lose the connection, click on the yellow Reconnect button. If you need assistance, click on the blue Help button.
8. To disconnect from the web chat, press the orange Logoff button.
9. You can also access the Transcript Archive to review questions and answers from previous web chats at <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/health/chatreg/>. Click on the “Archive” tab at the top of the page.

Upcoming Web Chats for 2008:

Day	Date	Time (EST)	Topic	Speaker
Thurs	9/11	12-1PM	Peripheral Arterial Disease & Varicose Veins	Heather Gornik, MD
Fri	9/19	12-1PM	Prostate Cancer – Get Answers	Michael Gong, MD, PhD
Thurs	9/25	12-1PM	Aorta Disease	Eric Roselli, MD
Mon	9/29	12-1PM	Sleep Disorders	TBD
Thurs	10/2	12-1PM	Adult Congenital Heart	Richard Krasuski, MD
Fri	10/10	12-1PM	A Lifetime of Distractions: Dealing with ADHD in Adults and Children	Michael Manos, PhD
Thurs	10/16	12-1PM	Lung Surgery	David Mason, MD
Fri	10/24	12-1PM	Diabetic Retinopathy	Rishi Singh, MD
Wed	11/5	12-1PM	Ask the Heart Surgeon	Joseph Sabik, MD
Fri	11/7	12-1PM	Speaking of Women's Health	Holly Thacker, MD
Tues	11/18	12-1PM	What's New in the Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease	Stanley Hazen, MD
Tues	12/9	12-1PM	Interventional Procedures	Ravi Nair, MD
Tues	12/16	12-1PM	Healthy Cardiovascular Nutrition	Melissa Ohlson, RD

Please visit the chat website at <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/health/chatreg/> to view upcoming topics for web chats.

Web Chat Transcripts Currently Available in the Following Subject Areas:

Adult Congenital Heart Disease, Ask the Heart Doctor, Abnormal Heart Rhythms, Cardiovascular Surgery, Carotid Artery Disease, Coronary Artery Disease and Interventional Procedures, Heart Failure, Heart and Vascular Disease Prevention, Heart Research and Innovation, Vascular Disease, Peripheral Arterial Disease, Women and Cardiovascular Disease, Bowel Disorders, Women's Health: Your Body, Your Hormones, Your Choices, Headache Pain and Migraines, Prostate Cancer, Breast Health and Breast Cancer, and much more!