

THE SKEPTIC'S GUIDE TO HEALTH, MEDICINE, AND THE MEDIA

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This course will teach you to be a better consumer of health information. You will learn how not to fall for the latest health scare or sneaky attempts to sell you things you do not need. At the same time, you will become better at telling which health news stories are worthwhile to review and remember.

- Week 1: Concussions and the Future of Football
 New Drugs on the Block
- Week 2: Is it time for Medical Marijuana?
 The Media and Weight Loss
- Week 3: Alternative Medicine in the News
 The Media's Take on Mental Health
- Week 4: The Media and the Internet
 We Share Our World with Toxins
- Week 5: Are Coffee and Wine Good for Your Heart?
 Does Cancer Screening Work?
- Week 6: Drug Prices in the News
 Selling Disease
- Week 7: Infections in the Headlines
 Health Risks in Our Environment
- Week 8: Bad Science
 Diet, Health, and Power of Words
- Week 9: Genetics and the Media
 How to Stay Young
- Week 10: Cures for the Common Cold
 The Media's Role in Improving Health