

Useful Links

1) General resources for health information

[About.com Health Sites](#)

[American Academy of Family Physicians](#)

[Health on the Net Foundation](#)

[Healthfinder.gov](#)

[The Mayo Clinic](#)

[The Merck Manuals](#)

[Medscape](#)

[The National Institutes of Health](#)

[Revolution Health](#)

WebMD2) Researching symptoms or medical conditions

[About.com Symptom Checker](#)

[DiagKnowsis.com](#)

3) Patient Advocacy services
[Castle Connolly Healthcare Navigation LTD](#) [Center for Patient Partnerships, University of Wisconsin Health Advocate](#) [HKS Patient Advocates](#) [Insight Medical Consultants, LLC](#) Note: Dr. Chiaramonte is a true Personal Healthcare Advocate, as envisioned here . [Palliative Care Associates, P.C.](#) [Patient Advocate Foundation](#) [PinnacleCare Sarah Lawrence College](#) [Advocacy-related Resources](#) [Patient Advocacy blogs](#) [Every Patient's Advocate](#) [Honest Medicine](#) [Patient Destiny](#)4) The Doctor-patient relationship [Spirit of Caring](#) 5) Finding a retainer (concierge) physician

[MDVIP](#)

[PinnacleCare](#)

[Society for Innovative Medical Practice Design](#) (This is a professional organization of concierge physicians, and a good place to begin looking for one.)

Qliance - A new model of retainer medicine for the non-affluent (based in Seattle)⁶ Selected sites on specific medical conditions

Allergies at About.com

National Institute of Allergies and Infectious Disease

Arthritis at About.com

Arthritis Foundation

American Cancer Society

National Cancer Institute

The Moss Reports

American Diabetes Association

Diabetes at About.com

Dysautonomia Foundation

Dysautonomia Youth Network

National Dysautonomia Research Foundation

American Heart Association

Heart Disease at About.com

Guide to lowering high blood pressure

High blood pressure at About.com

Kidney diseases at About.com

National Kidney Foundation

National Institute of Neurological Disorder and Stroke

Neurosciences on the Internet

Neurosurgical Consultants (Yes, it's a site by a practice, but it has one of the most thorough and user-friendly reviews of neurological disorders I have seen.)

American Lung Association

National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute - Lung disorders

Sudden Cardiac Arrest Association

Thyroid disease at About.com

Thyroid disease manager

