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“Arthritis information on the ‘net... a Frederick website is #1”

More and more people use the Internet for information on medical conditions. Websites like WebMD and others like it have become the source for quick “second opinions.” A Frederick arthritis specialist has developed a site though, that has the distinction of being on the first page for the key words “arthritis treatment” on both Google as well as, MSN. It is <http://www.arthritis-treatment-and-relief.com>.

“I’ve always been interested in teaching,” says Dr. Nathan Wei. “The internet is a wonderful method for disseminating information. Unfortunately, there is a lot of misinformation out there as well. So... it’s important that people realize and understand what constitutes a good website versus a bad website” he adds.

Tips to look for in an arthritis site:

- Is the site authored by someone with the necessary credentials? Don’t you want your information from someone who specializes in arthritis... who has had extensive training?
- Does the site push products? Many of the so-called arthritis information sites are created by people who are more interested in selling things than in providing good quality information. A good informational site may have products but there is no “hard sell” involved.
- Is the site well-balanced? Some scientific sites don’t recognize the value of alternative therapies. Some alternative therapies don’t recognize the value of conventional medicines. The middle road is probably the one that makes the most sense.

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