

Learning Activity:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES	EXPANDED CONTENT OUTLINE
Identify the type of information that adolescents are seeking on the Internet regarding their general and sexual health.	This presentation, through an evidence based review, will provide the type of healthcare information that most adolescents seek by accessing the Internet. It will look at such factors as age, gender, sexual orientation and confidentiality. It will also look at what type of healthcare information, especially related to sexual health, is available to teens on the Internet. There will be a discussion of how to evaluate and direct these teens to websites where they will access appropriate health information.
Discuss factors that may contribute to an adolescent's need to seek healthcare information via the Internet.	There will be an examination of those factors that motivate the adolescent to seek healthcare information from the Internet instead of the provider. There will be a discussion about issues of confidentiality, provider's willingness to discuss adolescent issues, as well as the adolescent's comfort level in talking about certain health or sexual concerns with their providers. There will also be a discussion about peer pressure and the adolescent's developmental stage of "magical thinking" regarding what they believe and not believe about their personal safety and health.