

MDWiki

MDWiki (MDWiki.org) is a content fork of Wikipedia's medical content created to enhance health information in new and meaningful ways. MDWiki is written by several of the top-10 most prolific medical editors on Wikipedia over the last decade.

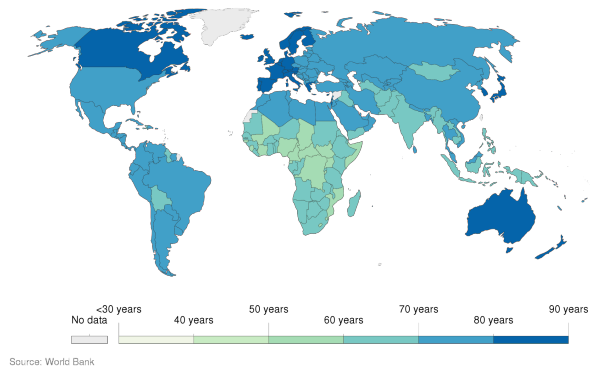
Content flows into the WikiMed app used by more than 100,00 people around the world, including many health care providers.

MDWiki differs from Wikipedia:

- Content pages have improved multimedia interaction and are geared for offline use.
- Encourages inclusion of video, including Non-Commercial (NC) and Non-Derivative (ND) licenses.
- Editing is restricted to registered, approved individuals, and there is a clear code of conduct.
- Paid conflict-of-interest editing is prohibited.
- Medication costs and dosages are permitted and encouraged.
- Written for a general audience, including non-native English speakers.

Life expectancy, 2016

The average number of years a newborn would live if age-specific mortality rates in the current year were to stay the same throughout its life.



Leadership

Wiki Project Med is run by Chair James Heilman, with a talented and globally diverse board and numerous expert advisors, all of whom are unpaid volunteers.

Board Members:

- James Heilman, MD
- Anjna Harrar, MD
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Wiki Project Med

"Wikimedia Medicine"



There is a global lack of access to accurate, empowering healthcare information, in a language most people can understand, and in a format that they can benefit from.

Wikipedia's medical articles are one of the leading sources of health information online, with 5 billion pageviews per year. They address the public health needs of a literate, English-speaking population with reliable internet access; however, this is still the minority of the world.

Since 2012, Wiki Project Med Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit and Thematic Organization within the Wikimedia Movement, has been leading educational, technical, and outreach initiatives to make medical information accessible to people around the world, in their own language, online and offline.

This information improves health outcomes and even saves lives.

Language Empowerment

- The majority of healthcare content in the world is not in native speakers' languages.
- English Wikipedia has ample healthcare content but it's not designed for translation.

MDWiki.org enhances Wikipedia, adds a layer of medical review, and makes stable versions of articles ready for translation into multiple languages. With 5 million annual page views, MDWiki is serving content also used in our offline app and translation projects.

The Translation Task Force addresses the needs of the other 300 languages in which Wikipedia exists. Since 2011 we have created over 20,000 translations, worked in 150 languages, and created over 22 million words of text. This content has received more than 3.7 billion pageviews since 2015.

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Global Access

- Half the globe doesn't have reliable internet access to medical content.
- Libraries and schools in many regions lack updated health info due to poor infrastructure.

The WikiMed App allows anyone to download medical content when the internet is present and save it for future offline use. Our apps are available for free in multiple languages on Android and iOS. With over 100,000 active installs, the app is being used around the world, including in Pakistan, Ethiopia, India, Nepal, and the United States. Many users are health care providers or doctors-in-training and community health workers.

Internet-in-a-Box (IIAB) is a device containing all of MDWiki and customizable versions of Wikipedia. The small, inexpensive unit creates a WiFi hotspot and gives access for up to 32 people within 100 meters to read, watch, learn and download. If we could scale regional production and distribution, millions more could benefit.



Rich Content

- Healthcare professionals around the world need access to more medical images and other rich content to diagnose and treat illnesses.

NCCommons.org collects and curates Non-Commercial (NC) and Non-Derivative (ND) licensed images, which currently can't be used on Wikipedia or Wikimedia Commons. With over 1 million files, many of them high-quality medical images, we've created a central repository for all NC and ND licensed content.

VideoWiki allows the collaborative creation of videos from a mediawiki-based script. Text and media files are combined into full, final video, with automatic and appropriate copyright attribution. Videos are also easily updated and translated to recreate content in multiple languages.

Our World in Data (OWID) provides modular, interactive, integrated graphs and visualizations directly into MDWiki and other mediawiki sites.

