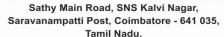


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# **MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY**

Medical terminology is the language used to describe components and processes of the human body, medical procedures, diseases, disorders, and pharmacology. Simply put, it is the vocabulary that medical professionals use to describe the body, what it does, and the treatments they prescribe.

#### Some of the medical terms:

- 1. Benign: Not cancerous
- 2. Malignant: Cancerous
- 3. Anti-inflammatory: Reduces swelling, pain, and soreness (such as ibuprofen or naproxen)
- 4. Body Mass Index (BMI): Body fat measurement based on height and weight
- 5. Biopsy: A tissue sample for testing purposes
- 6. Hypotension: Low blood pressure
- 7. Hypertension: High blood pressure
- 8. Lesion: Wound, sore, or cut
- 9. Noninvasive: Doesn't require entering the body with instruments; usually simple
- 10. Outpatient: Check in and check out the same day
- 11.Inpatient: Plan to stay overnight for one or more days
- 12.In remission: Disease is not getting worse; not to be confused with being cured
- 13. Membrane: Thin layer of pliable tissue that serves as a covering or lining or connection between two structures
- 14. Acute: Sudden but usually short (e.g., acute illness)

15. Angina: Pain in the chest related to the heart that comes and goes

16. Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD): Heartburn

17. Cellulitis: Inflamed or infected tissue beneath the skin

18. Epidermis: Outermost layer of skin

19. Neutrophils: Most common type of white blood cell

20. Edema: Swelling

21.Embolism: Blood clot

22. Sutures: Stitches

23. Polyp: Mass or growth of thin tissue

24. Compound fracture: Broken bone that protrudes through the skin

25. Comminuted fracture: Broken bone that shatters into many pieces

## Some common terms & its meaning:

Term	Meaning
Analgesic	A drug for pain
Anorectic	A drug for appetite suppression
Analeptic	A drug that stimulates the CNS
IV Admixture	A drug product made by adding the drug to an IV bag
Anesthetic	A drug that block sensations of pain or feeling in general
Anaphylactic Shock	A severe allergic reaction to a drug
Anticoagulant	A drug that blocks blood clotting
Antitussive	A drug that blocks coughing
Antiemetic	A drug that stop N/V
Antipruritic	A drug that stop itching

#### Some of the abbreviations:

- post- after
- pre- before, in front of
- pro- before
- pseudo- false
- retro- backward, behind
- sub- below, under
- supra- above
- tachy- fast

- Nephro kidney
- Hepato liver
- Pulmo lung
- Cardio heart
- Cyto cell
- Rhino nose
- Naso nose

