

Useful words for nursing and care

This is a list of words often used in nursing and care. You may need to read and write these words. If you don't know the meaning of a word, look it up in a dictionary or ask a colleague.

abdominal	diabetes	malnutrition
administer	diagnosis	monitor
admission	diarrhoea	nausea
agitated	dietitian	nutrition
allergen	distressed	pharmacist
appetite	haemorrhage	prescription
arthritis	hoist	psychiatrist
bladder	hypertension	reassure
bronchitis	hypotension	sterile
catheter	impairment	symptom
coherent	infection	therapy
confidential	inflammation	transfer
dementia	lethargic	ventilator

Tips for remembering spellings

Strategy

Look for rules and patterns:

Link with meaning:

Separate the sections:

Example

confidential / **dementia**

diarrhoea **really really hurts**

diet / it / ian

Practise using words in context

Choose a word and find a way to remember the spelling. Write three sentences using the word in context.