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Commonly used English Vocabulary for nurses

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Nursing is a profession that needs you to cover a wide range of duties, responsibilities, and health care specialties. They are the professionals who are responsible for treatment, safety as well as care of the patients. The fundamental duty of being a nurse is maintaining the health of the patient as well as monitoring their symptoms, responses and progress, for which they need to have [simple yet professional English communication skills](#).



Nurses play an extremely vital role in patient care and treatment, and so they need to keep their [communication skills](#) at its best while dealing with the patients so that they can pass on the details to the doctor. Besides that, nurses are required to have [effective listening skills](#), expertise of non-verbal communication as well as be well aware of the terms often used in the health care industry.

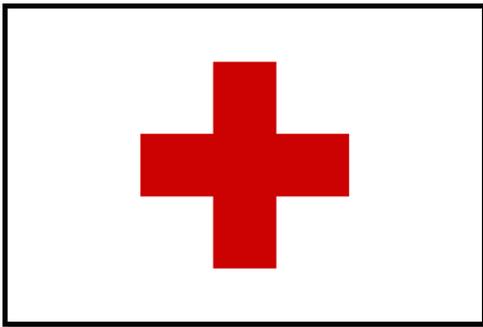
Our List Of A Few Commonly Used English Vocabulary For Nurses:

- 1.**Abnormal**- Not normal for the human body.
- 2.**Acute**- Quick to become severe.
- 3.**Antibiotics**- Medication that kills bacteria and cures infection.
- 4.**Arthritis**- A disease that causes the joints to become swollen and crippled.
- 5.**Biopsy**- Removal of human tissue in order to conduct certain medical tests.
- 6.**Blood pressure**- The rate at which blood flows through the body. (High/low)
- 7.**Benign**- Not harmful or not cancerous.
- 8.**Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)** - Restoring a person's breath and circulation.
- 9.**Critical condition**- Requiring immediate and constant medical attention.
- 10.**Crutches**- Objects that are used by people with injured feet/legs, to support them to walk.
- 11.**Deficiency**- Lack of some element that is vital for good health.
- 12.**Diagnosis**- Medical explanation of an illness.
- 13.**Dislocated**- A bone temporarily separated from its joint.
- 14.**ER (Emergency Room)** - The hospital room used for treating patients with life-threatening injuries.
- 15.**Family history**- Medical background of a person's family members.
- 16.**Genetic**- A medical condition that is passed on in the family.
- 17.**Incision**- Cut in the body made during surgery.
- 18.**Intensive care unit (ICU)** - Room in the hospital where patients get constant attention.
- 19.**OR (Operating room)** - The place where major surgeries take place.
- 20.**Pharmacy**- A place where people go to buy medication.
- 21.**Prescription**- A list of medications needed to cure an illness.
- 22.**Routine Checkup**- A doctor's appointment to check a person's general health.
- 23.**Seizure**- Sudden violent movements or unconsciousness caused by an electrical signal malfunction in the brain.
- 24.**Ultrasound**- A test to examine the body's internal organs using sound waves.
- 25.**Virus**- A dangerous organism that causes the spread of minor and major diseases.



There you have it- A collated list of commonly used words in the medical sector along with their meanings. The above-

mentioned list could be used by nurses, pharmacists, paramedics, receptionists, as well as specialists. Whatever you are, a professional in the healthcare sector or not, it is important for you to have fluent English communication skills.



In fact, many professionals make use of their [spoken English communication skills](#) to make their patient feel more comfortable. Ensure to buckle up and serve your patients in the most professional way possible by making use of simple English. Remember, nothing comforts a patient as much as a doctor can, so work on your conversing techniques and give solace to your patients by making use of fluent English.

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