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WELLNESS STRATEGIES FROM THE WORLD'S LEADING MEDICAL EXPERTS

How Doctors Stay Well While Treating Sick People All Day

Immunity-boosting secret you can use

### By Rebecca Shannonhouse, Editor-in-Chief

ver wonder how doctors stay well while treating sick people all day? Me, too.

To find the answer, I called one of the leading infectious disease specialists in the country.

He told me the reason doctors don't get sick is that they're constantly washing their hands. He added that frequent hand washing is the single best way for anyone to stay healthy.

Well, I'd heard all this before. I told him that what he said about doctors made a lot of sense ... except for one small thing:

It's not true!

A recent study found that only 1 out of 4 doctors consistently wash their hands between patients.

Another study found that *doctors almost never wash their stethoscopes.* (Out of 150 stethoscopes tested, 133 were found to harbor staph bacteria!)

And still another study found that over 2 million Americans a year catch illnesses from the hospital or doctor's office!

Which brings us back to our original question:

If doctors are so riddled with germs that they're getting their own patients sick ... then how on earth are they keeping themselves healthy?

And more importantly, what can you and I do to keep our-selves healthy?

Well, I finally uncovered the answer, and I think it's going to surprise the heck out of you.

You see, when it comes to their *own* health, many doctors take herbs, folk remedies, and other "unproven" cures that are frowned upon by the medical establishment.

They use these remedies to keep from catching infections. They use them to lower their cholesterol, and protect their heart. They use them to get rid of aches, pains, and stiffness. And they use them to prevent strokes, Alzheimer's, and cancer.

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## Why Most Calcium **Supplements** Are Useless for **Osteoporosis**



or years, American women have been taking calcium supplements for stronger bones. Yet they continue to get osteoporosis in record numbers. Why? Because taking supplements is not enough. You also need to engage in weight-bearing exercise.

But here's good news: You don't have to lift heavy weights or do torturous aerobic workouts. Researchers have studied the effect of different activities, and they've found that one of the best bone-building activities is gardening! In fact, gardening was more effective than almost all the other activities studied.

Bonus: Because gardening is performed outdoors, your body is also exposed to sunlight, which produces bone-building vitamin D. Just make sure you apply sunscreen if you're going to be spending more than 15 minutes in the sun.

Yes, conventional MDs across the country are taking these alternative remedies with great results. And all the while, they're keeping it a secret from their colleagues and their patients!

In fact, a recent poll found that more than 60% of doctors take nutritional supplements regularly, even though they don't recommend them to their patients!

Sadly, that's the way most doctors are. They'd rather keep these remedies from you than risk facing ridicule from their colleagues or sanctions from the medical board.

That's why I'm eager to send you a Special Report we've put together called *Healing* Secrets Doctors Don't Tell You. In compiling

this Report, we interviewed over 100 forward-thinking doctors who weren't afraid to

speak out. They revealed dozens of "forbidden" cures that they use themselves to cure everything from high cholesterol to migraine headaches.

The information this Report contains is priceless. But with your permission, I'd like to send you a copy absolutely free. I'd also like to send you a free 3-month subscription to Bottom Line/HEALTH magazine.

Please understand that both these gifts are TOTALLY FREE. There are no strings attached. There's no obligation to buy anything, now or ever.

I'll tell you how to get your free gifts in a moment. But first, let me share some of these amazing healing secrets with you ....

### Doctors' Secret #I The Cold and **Flu Remedy That Fights Cancer**

**7**ou've probably heard of natural cold remedies like echinacea, goldenseal, and garlic. But here's one that's even better ... one that many doctors take every day to ward off all kinds of illnesses.

This amazing remedy boosts your immunity against cold and flu ...

... It kills all kinds of infections — from viruses to bacteria to fungal infections ...

... It helps heal bronchitis and pneumonia ...

... And it's one of the world's best ways to prevent cancer!

So what is this miracle remedy? It's an ancient Chinese herb called *Huang qi*. But you probably know it by its more common name, astragalus.

Dozens of studies show that astragalus is a powerful immune booster that boosts your body's production of T-cells, macrophages, and NK (natural killer) cells. And recent studies show it's a potent

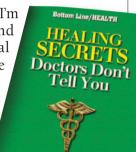
cancer fighter, too.

In one study, astragalus was able to restore immune function in 90%

of the cancer patients stud-

astragalus root

ied! And in 2 other studies, cancer patients receiving astragalus had TWICE the survival rate of those who only received standard therapies!



# Salmon Is Good for You, Right? Not <u>This</u> Kind!

S almon is a great source of healthy omega-3 fatty acids. It's great for your heart, your brain, your skin, and your joints. But if you think all salmon is alike, then think again!

If you buy salmon at the supermarket, chances are good that it doesn't come from the sea, but from a fish farm. And farmed salmon is anything but healthy.

Farmed salmon are hatched in plastic trays .... crowded into unsanitary underwater cages ... fattened with soybean pellets ... dosed with antibiotics and pesticides ... and injected with a synthetic dye that gives them their pink color. (Without the dye, their flesh would be an unappetizing, pale gray.)

The fish-farming industry

That makes astragalus one powerful immunity booster! And unlike other immune-boosting herbs like echinacea and goldenseal, you can take astragalus every day, with no adverse side effects.

You can find astragalus in capsule form at most health food stores. Or, you can buy the whole root at Chinese markets and greengrocers, and use it when you're cooking.

Simply add the root to your favorite soup, stew, or rice dish. Let simmer for 30 minutes, then remove the root and discard. It leaves no discernible taste, but packs plenty of medicinal wallop.



claims this provides a healthy food at a reasonable price. They also claim that it protects the wild salmon population from overfishing. But the facts show otherwise:

First of all, although farmed salmon are far fattier than their wild cousins, studies show that they contain *two-thirds less* of the omega-3 fats!

Second, studies show that farmed salmon contain much higher levels of cancer-causing PCBs and dioxins than wild salmon.

Third, farmed salmon

#### Doctors' Secret #2

### The Unusual Pain Remedy That Works Faster Than Aspirin

Doctors spend a lot of time on their feet, so they know all about pain and stiffness. They know they can get relief with aspirin, Tylenol<sup>®</sup>, and ibuprofen.

But they also know that prolonged use of these drugs can cause bleeding ulcers, liver damage, and other nasty side effects. That's why more and more doctors are avoiding these pills and relying on natural remedies contain more antibiotic residue than eggs, meat, or any other farm-raised animal products. And this antibiotic use has created resistant strains of bacteria that are killing the other fish in the ocean!

Fourth, the pesticides used by salmon farms are killing shellfish and other bottomdwelling sea creatures.

And fifth, the pink dye used on the salmon contains *canthaxanthin*, an ingredient used in sunless tanning pills that has since been banned for human use!

For you, the solution is simple: Avoid farmed salmon and eat wild salmon only. Wild salmon is available at most natural food markets and upscale gourmet restaurants. If in doubt about the fish's origin, simply ask your waiter, chef, or store manager.

#### like willow bark and cayenne.

And here's another pain remedy: One that involves no drugs or supplements whatsoever. It costs practically nothing ... it's very effective ... and it works in just *minutes*. What is it? It's *static electricity*.

Yes, static electricity. Medical science has long recognized that the human body is pulsing with tiny electrical currents. And "normalizing" this flow of electricity promotes healing.

Here's how to use static electricity for aches and pains: Go to your local hardware store and get an ordinary painter's mitt ... plus a one-foot section of PVC pipe photo of painter's mitt and PVC pipe to come

about an inch thick. Create an electric charge by rubbing the pipe vigorously with the mitt for 1 minute. Then slowly sweep the pipe over the painful area.

Move in a head-to-toe direction, about a half inch away from your skin. After 3 or 4 passes, recharge the pipe by rubbing it again with the mitt. Keep repeating the process until the pain subsides.

Most people get relief within a few minutes, and the relief is usually quite dramatic. Try it you'll be amazed!

### Doctors' Secret #3 The "Magic Pill" That Reverses Clogged Arteries In Just 2 Hours!

Il over the country, doctors are secretly popping a little white pill.

Why? Because a recent study at Boston University found that this pill can re-open severely blocked arteries in as little as 2 hours! That's right. All you have to do is take one single pill, and your arteries can clear up in 2 hours!

What is this amazing pill? It's not one of the latest designer drugs. Instead, it's an ordinary nutrient you can find at any health food store.

You'll find complete details on this nutrient in your free copy of *Healing Secrets Doctors Don't*  *Tell You.* You'll also find out about:

The fastest way to clear triglycerides from the bloodstream. Just do this an hour before your next meal.

**Remarkable 2-second cure for fatigue.** Just press these 2 spots on your leg and foot ... and feel your energy come surging back! Amazing.

How to tell if your body is filled with nasty toxins. Simple test you can do at home using a glass of water.

The finger and thumb trick that relieves headaches in 90 seconds. Revealed by leading acupuncturist/MD.

> Prevent a heart attack or stroke with tomatoes? You'll read about what leading researchers are doing.

# The Hidden Heart Attack Trigger!

besity. High cholesterol. High blood pressure. Everyone knows these are some of the risk factors for a heart attack.

But did you know that fully half of all heart attack victims have absolutely NO advance warning symptoms? That's right. The first heart disease symptom they experience is the actual heart attack!

And did you know there's a little-known risk factor that doesn't even show up on ANY of the traditional tests? That's right. It doesn't show up on any blood test. You can't detect it with a stethoscope or EKG. And it doesn't show up on any high-tech medical scans, either.

So what is this hidden heart attack trigger? Simply this:

Several university studies have found that people who interrupt conversations are at greater risk for heart problems. In fact, one study at Duke University, found that people who interrupt are

up to 7

more

likely to get heart disease!

Why is this so? The researchers theorize that people who interrupt are excessively competitive and controlling — 2 hallmarks of the worst "Type A" personalities.

Now here's the amazing part: These high-risk people can lower their risk without totally altering their personalities ... and without any drugs, exercise, or dietary changes. All they have to do is practice being good listeners.

In one study, the test subjects focused on being silent while others talked.

**Result:** They lowered both their blood pressure and their stress hormone levels!

The powerful antioxidant that's right on your spice rack. Has 42 times more antioxidant activity than apples ... and 12 times more than oranges.



**Build stronger bones by eating prunes!** Proven in university study. Complete details.

**How to keep your mind sharp at any age.** 7 easy ways to keep your brain young.

How to clean the air in your home without buying an expensive air filter. Ingenious technique revealed on page 00.

**Lose weight by eating something most people throw away!** Italian study finds that people who take this fat-blocking substance daily lose TWICE as much weight as those who don't!

Simple remedies for embarrassing health problems. What to do for bad breath ... foot odor ... itching ... flatulence... and more.

Seven out of 28 people scheduled for knee surgery got such effective relief from this treatment that they were able to cancel their surgeries.

### And much more.

As you can see, this Special Report is chockful of ways to protect your health. And the Report is yours absolutely FREE. All you have to do is return the card between pages 14 and 15 of this publication, and I'll rush you the SPECIAL REPORT

# 5 Memory-Boosting Pills That Really Work ... Plus 4 Scams to Avoid

#### (...Continued from back cover)

preservative. There is no scientific evidence whatsoever that Gerovital rejuvenates the mind. And excessive use can cause tremors, unconsciousness, convulsions, low or high blood pressure, and respiratory and cardiac arrest! Avoid this one at all costs!



**Ginkgo biloba.** There's good reason this Chinese herb has become our most popular alternative

remedy for memory impairment. It works.

Ginkgo has been shown to improve memory in Alzheimer's patients as well as in otherwise healthy people. It also has powerful antioxidant and antiinflammatory properties.

*Recommended dosage:* 120 mg to 240 mg a day.

*Caution:* Ginkgo inhibits blood clotting. Do not take it if you're taking aspirin or blood thinners. You should also avoid it if you're facing surgery or if you have a clotting disorder such as hemophilia or vitamin K deficiency.

> **Growth hormone.** This protein, secreted by the pituitary gland, promotes cell growth.

Sold as a prescription drug, growth hormone is said to prevent physical and mental deterioration. However, its effectiveness as an antiaging drug is unproven ... and the risks are considerable. Growth hormone can cause fluid retention, high blood pressure, and blood sugar problems that can lead to diabetes. It may also stimulate the growth of existing cancer tumors, which means if you have a microscopic tumor somewhere and don't know it, you could be turning a treatable situation into a terminal cancer!

### Phenytoin (Dilan-

tin<sup>®</sup>). Commonly prescribed to treat epilepsy, this anticonvulsant is sometimes falsely promoted as an "IQ-booster." There are *no* convincing studies to support this claim.

But there are plenty of data detailing the drug's potential side effects — everything from slurred speech and insomnia to potentially deadly disorders of the liver, blood, and thyroid. Stay away from this one!

Phosphatidyle

serine (PS). This fatlike substance is one of the few supplements that's been tested

extensively on both healthy and senile adults. It has consistently proven to improve memory and attention, without causing serious side effects.

Phosphatidyle serine seems to (*Continued 1st column next page...*)





(*Continued from 3rd col. page 5...*) enhance communication between chemical messengers (neurotransmitters) in the brain. It also appears to lower the production of *cortisol*, a stress hormone that may interfere with thinking and memory.

*Recommended dosage*: 100 mg, 3 times a day.

*Caution:* Phosphatidyle serine may slow blood clotting. For this reason, it should be avoided by the same people who are cautioned against taking ginkgo.

**Piracetam.** Piracetam is the first brainboosting drug to be marketed in Europe. In the US, it's available with-

out a prescription – but only from mail-order or Internet retailers.

Studies show that when Piracetam is combined with memory exercises, there is significant improvement in age-associated memory loss. To date, no serious side effects have been reported.

*Recommended dosage:* 2,400 mg to 4,800 mg, divided in 3 dosages. Ask your doctor if Piracetam might be good for you.

Vincamine<sup>®</sup>. This herbal supplement, derived from the periwinkle plant, is said to enhance concentration in healthy adults, and boost memory and attention in patients with poor blood circulation to the brain.

Vincamine does increase cerebral blood flow, so it may be of some benefit if promptly administered after a stroke. But longterm use can cause life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias, as well as severe sleep disturbances. Bottom line: Take ginkgo instead. It provides the same benefits, without the dangers. (Continued from 1st col. page 5...)

Report, plus the next 3 issues of *Bottom Line/HEALTH* FREE.

But that's not all. I'll also send you a second FREE Report called 21<sup>st-</sup>Century Medical Breakthroughs. It contains dozens of cuttingedge cures for illnesses big and small. Like this one ...

### Medical Breakthrough #1

### A <u>Permanent Cure</u> for the Most Common Form of Arthritis

f you suffer from osteoarthritis or joint injuries, here's astonishing news: You don't have to suffer any longer ... you don't have to take drugs ... and you don't have to take glucosamine, SAM-e, or other expensive supplements!

That's because scientists have discovered a new joint-healing breakthrough that works even when all else fails.



T h e b r e a k through is called *prolotherapy*, and it's more than just a way to relieve pain and n outright

inflammation. It's an outright *cure* that rebuilds worn-out cartilage, ligaments, and even tendons! And the cure is *permanent*.

*Here's how it works:* Your doctor injects an irritant solution into the affected joint. This injection triggers a healing response called a sterile inflammation.

Almost immediately, blood rushes to the area, delivering much-needed oxygen and nutrients. Then, healing cells called fibroblasts make their way to the area. Blood vessels start to grow ... collagen begins to form ... and pain begins to dissipate. Before you know it, your body has actually grown new tissue!

Several studies prove that prolotherapy works. In one study, an astonishing 87.5% who took the therapy saw improvement. In another study, prolotherapy was found to actually increase the strength of ligaments and tendons by up to 40%!

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Although prolotherapy is not well-known, it is practiced by about 300 doctors in this country, including former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, MD. To find a practitioner near you, just turn to page 00 of your free Special Report, 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Medical Breakthroughs.

Medical Breakthrough #2

### Cancer Patient Has Tumor Removed in Less Than an Hour — Goes Back to Work the Next Day!

Picture this. A man with brain cancer walks into an operating room to have a tumor removed.

There is no anesthesia ... no scalpel ... no incision. Instead, the man lies down and places his head in a tunnel-shaped device that looks much like a CAT scan machine. The surgeon then flicks on the switches, and in less than an hour, the man's tumor is gone.

Is this a scene out of some sci-

# Shortcuts Doctors Take When Giving You a Check-Up or Physical

R emember the good old days when doctors would make house calls? Those days are long gone. Today, we're in an era of assembly-line medicine. HMOs call the shots ... and everyone feels the squeeze.

To make up for it, doctors' offices try to cram as many appointments as possible into a day. And to get to all those patients, doctors often take short-cuts during the physical — shortcuts that can seriously affect your health! Here are the steps most commonly omitted:

■ **Blood pressure.** This vital sign is typically checked in one arm while the patient is sitting. But for a more accurate reading, blood pressure should be tested in *both* arms, preferably while you're lying down. Why both arms? Because a difference in blood pressure between one arm and the other may indicate a blockage in one of the large blood vessels! (To be significant, this difference must be 15% or more.)

By the way, if you're taking blood pressure medication, your doctor should check your blood pressure a *third* time, immediately after you stand up. If the pressure drops by more than 10%, you may need to change your dosage.

**Hamstrings.** Few doctors test these muscles at the

back of the thighs to identify potential back problems. To do so, the doctor should ask you to lie on your back and lift each leg to a 90° angle.

If you can't perform the lift, you may need a stretching program to relax the hamstrings.

**Lymph nodes.** Doctors usually check the lymph nodes in the neck, but often neglect to check the nodes in the groin and underarms. But checking all the lymph nodes is important, since swollen lymph nodes may signal infection, and lumps could mean cancer.

■ **Pulse points.** Your doctor probably checks your pulse in your neck and/or groin — but may skip your feet. If pulse strength differs in these 3 areas, it can be a sign of peripheral arterial disease.

**Thyroid.** This butterflyshaped gland at the base of the neck is often missed during the lymph node exam. By tapping on the thyroid, your doctor can screen for thyroid cancer.

### Laboratory Tests

Most doctors check your cholesterol ... your liver and kidney function ... your blood



sugar ... and your white blood cell count. But today we know there are other blood tests that are just as important. *These tests include...* 

■ **Magnesium.** Low levels of this mineral can cause fatigue, generalized pain and/or muscle spasms. They can also increase your risk of a heart attack!

**Zinc.** A deficiency of this immune-strengthening mineral can lead to frequent infection.

■ Iron. Elevated levels of this mineral cause iron over-load (*hemochromatosis*).

**C-reactive protein, homocysteine, and lipoprotein (a).** Elevated levels of any of these 3 substances put you at greater risk for a heart attack or stroke. In fact, increasing evidence suggests that these markers are *much greater* predictors of heart disease than cholesterol!

Fortunately, these blood imbalances are easy to treat. You'll get complete details in your free copy of *Healing Secrets Doctors Don't Tell You*.

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3-minute technique improves balance and coordination.

Eating fish can save your life! But not all fish are the same. You must eat the right



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How to eliminate drug side effects — without giving up the medicines you need! Amazing discovery made by top doctor.

What your blood pressure numbers really mean. Look for this key number that's even more important than systolic or diastolic readings. How to be

happy ... yes, happy! Winning advice from a renowned psychologist.

When memory lapses are a sign of something much more serious. See your doctor if you experience this additional symptom.

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What you should *never* do when washing your hands. Exposes you to all kinds of bacteria and germs.

The popular condiment that leads to food cravings. Many overeaters are cured when they stop using it on their food.

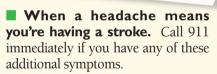
Say good-bye to migraines! Twothirds of sufferers get relief when they take this special mineralvitamin-herb combination.



How to save your own life if you get cancer. Cancer survivors reveal their secrets.

Fall asleep faster by doing this to your feet before bedtime. (Not a massage!)

**5** foods that zap your immune system. And 15 nutritional powerhouses that provide protection against cancer, infections, and more.



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World's best way to prevent tooth decay and gum disease. Make sure you do this after you brush and floss.

The best way to store your toothbrush. Prevents bacterial growth which causes dental problems.

Coping strategies to help you get over divorce or the death of a **loved one.** Top psychologist reveals powerful strategies that let you come to terms with your grief and get on the road to healing.

Could you have diabetes and **not even know it?** Researchers say yes! Learn the 7 early warning signs that even the most knowledgable people don't know about.





Walking for 30 minutes a day is healthy, right? Not always. Mistake many people make causes more harm than good. What you must

**insist on if you're a candidate for joint replacement surgery.** It could mean the difference between one operation or two.

The mysterious longevity secret of the people of Okinawa. Why they live longer and have less heart disease, osteoporosis, and breast and prostate cancer than any other people in the world.

**Early warning sign of cancer.** Just look at your *fingernails*.

When your toothpaste can kill you! If you have this common condition, you must absolutely, positively stay away from fluoride.

■ The mineral deficiency that promotes fat storage in your body. If you're not getting enough of this nutrient, even the best diet in the world may not help you!

Why Eskimos have virtually no heart disease. And how you can use this information to dramatically lower your risk.

**Cut your risk of stroke by 50%** ... just by having your doctor do this during your next checkup! Amazing but true.

Are you compromising your child's or grandchild's potential? Study of 4,000 children showed they scored lower on IQ tests when ex-



posed to this at h o m e . (No, it's not television!) Stretching before exercising reduces your risk of injury, right? Guess again. Mounting evidence suggests you're better off simply doing this.

The cancer-fighting food that's 25 times stronger than broccoli!

**Choosing a new primary-care doctor?** Here's a clever way to find out if he's any good.

**How your good intestinal bacteria help fight cancer.** And what you can do to help them do their job better.

■ Increase the antioxidants in carrots by 34%. Just do this before you eat them.

**Folic acid danger.** Yes, you should take it. But not in this common form, which can cause nasty side effects.



Clever way to get yourself to eat less. Nothing to take to fill you up or suppress your appetite; just

something unusual you do with your fork and plate.

**How to save your own life during a heart attack.** Doing this simple thing improves your chances by 1,200%!

When chocolate cravings can signal a dangerous hormone problem. Simple way to treat it without drugs.

When skin itching can signal kidney disease. How to tell and when to see your doctor.

Quick relief for Crohn's disease and irritable bowel syndrome. Just place a drop of this in a glass of water and drink it. Amazing!

Delicious foods that lower your cholesterol. Move over oat bran and other bland fare!



■ How to get VIP treatment in a hospital. Faster response from nurses ... better choice of doctors ... even better food! Inside secret revealed.

**Easy way to boost the results of any exercise program.** 3 secrets that let you get in great shape without hiring a personal trainer.

**Canker sores?** Your toothpaste may be making them worse. Avoid any brands that contain this ingredient.

Worst food for diabetics. Raises glucose levels well into the next day! (Hint: It's *not* sugar or fruit.)

Get rid of mosquitoes without noxious pesticides.

Just a handful of this ordinary kitchen herb keeps them away for hours! Great way to protect against West Nile virus.

How to get an insurer to pay up after the claim has been denied. Secret tactic gets them to change their mind fully 50% of the time.

**Early warning sign of a deadly aneurysm.** Get to an emergency room immediately if you experience this telltale symptom.

Fight fatigue by making this one small change to your home. Takes just minutes, costs nothing, and it's so simple you'll be amazed how well it works!



■ Facts about the newly discovered "fat gene." And the 3 simple things you can do to lose weight no matter what

your genetic makeup.

Slash your risk of prostate cancer 70% with one amazing food. One serving a day is all you need.



ence-fiction movie? No, it's reality ... and it's happening *today*.

The tunnel-shaped device is called a Gamma Knife, and it allows surgeons to remove tumors quickly, easily, and without damaging the surrounding tissue. Here's how it works:

Using sophisticated computers, the Gamma Knife takes 201 separate sources of gamma radiation and focuses them into one pinpointed beam. This beam of radiation conforms precisely to the size and shape of the tumor,

### What You Should NEVER Do Before Bedtime If You Want to Get a Good Night's Sleep

night's sleep? Then whatever you do, don't



talk on your cell phone before you go to bed!

A study at the University of Zurich found that exposing people to the electromagnetic fields from cell phones altered their brain waves during sleep ... resulting in sleep disturbances!

The researchers want to do a study to see if using a headset may eliminate this disturbing effect. Until then, they advise you to make nighttime calls on your regular phone instead. thus destroying it while protecting the surrounding tissue.

Best of all, the radiation actually destroys the DNA in the tumor cells so that they are no longer able to grow and reproduce.

But the most amazing thing about the Gamma Knife is that it allows the patient to leave the hospital the next day ... and resume all his normal activities!

You can find out more about the Gamma Knife, including how to find a cancer center near you that has one, in your free Special Report. You'll also find out about breakthroughs like these:

The cholesterol treatment that helps prevent Alzheimer's! Proven in new study.



**Better prostate cancer detection.** Typical biopsies miss cancer in 1 out of 7 patients ... but this one is accurate over 97% of the time!

New breakthrough in treatment of macular degeneration. Simple outpatient procedure actually stops the progression of the disease!

## How to Get All the Fiber You Need Without Eating Stuff That Tastes Like Sawdust

e all know fiber is good for us. We know it keeps us regular, lowers cholesterol, prevents colon cancer, and helps us stay trim. Yet most of us don't get anywhere near the 20 grams of fiber per day that doctors recommend.

One reason is that many high-fiber foods just

don't taste very good. But here's good news: You can get all the fiber you need without eating any of that dry, tasteless stuff.

How? By eating avocados. One serving of avocado contains 9 grams of fiber -33% more than a cup of shredded wheat cereal!

And avocados aren't the only tasty foods that are high in fiber. Some delicious high-fiber fruits include raspberries (8 grams) ... blackberries (7 grams) ... apples (6 grams) ... and mangoes (4 grams).

As for vegetables, the best choices are acorn squash (9 grams) ... black beans (8 grams) ... artichokes (6 grams) ... and sweet potatoes (5 grams).

So next time you're at the supermarket, make sure you load up on these delicious high-fiber foods. Your body will thank you!

Insomnia breakthrough: This simple bedtime routine gets you in sync with your biological rhythms so you get a refreshing sleep.

Amazing new cure for ringing in the ears. Provides permanent relief in 70% of sufferers!

Scheduled for hip surgery? Postpone it until you've had a chance to read about this amazing new surgical technique from Israel. Most patients can stand up almost immediately after surgery!

Breast cancer detection breakthrough. New method is over 95 times more sensitive than mammograms or MRI! Available in many top hospitals in the US.

How to slow down rheumatoid arthritis ... or even halt it entirely. New class of drugs goes beyond COX-2 inhibitors to stop joint damage.

How to finally get to the bottom of your chronic fatigue. 7 little-known lab tests that pinpoint the root cause.

Amazing new snoring **cure.** No surgery, no restraining devices, and best of all, it works permanently. 7/01, p 7

**Nature's Rogaine<sup>®</sup>!** This topical cream, derived from apples, increases the number and thickness of hair shafts. Grows hair back in just a few months.

### How to detect heart disease years before there's a prob-

lem. Amazing new artery-scanning technology detects tiny deposits. Takes just 5 minutes and is totally painless.

### And much more!

Have you heard about any of these breakthroughs before? Probably not. They're rarely re-

# **The Truth About** Sodium and High **Blood Pressure**



f your blood pressure is high, chances are your doctor will tell you to watch your sodium intake. Unfortunately, that advice is not always correct.

You see, it's not sodium intake per se that aggravates high blood pressure. Rather, it's an excess of sodium in relation to potassium.

Sodium and potassium are 2 of the body's major electrolytes — the minerals that conduct electrical flow in the body. Together, they regulate cell membrane activity, nerve transmission, and fluid retention.

But when you get too much sodium and not enough potassium, you get high blood pressure. You can also get muscle cramps, fatigue, irritability, confusion, muscle weak-

ness, abdominal bloating, and even heart disease.

So how much sodium and potassium should you get? The ideal ratio is to get 5 times as much potassium as sodium in your diet. Unfortunately, the typical American diet is backward — providing twice as much sodium as potassium!

Does this mean you need to take potassium supplements? Actually, you'll get better results by eating 3 servings a day of delicious high-potassium foods. These include bananas, apricots, avocados, cantaloupe, figs, pumpkin seeds, beans, potatoes, winter squash, and unsalted tomato sauce. Enjoy!

ported in the mass media ... and are even missed by many of the leading health newsletters. But they're exactly the types of medical discoveries you'll read about

in the pages of Bottom Line/ HEALTH.

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Every month, we pore through the medical jour-

nals ... scan the wire services ... and interview the world's greatest doctors, scientists, and health professionals. We talk to founders of world-famous clinics ... authors of best-selling health books ... researchers at leading medical schools and hospitals. Then we take our findings and report back to you in brief, concise, easy-to-understand articles. Bottom Line/HEALTH actually saves you hours of reading each month because it boils down the information from hundreds of different sources.

And unlike other health journals, we don't stick to one particular topic or one particular healing philosophy. We give you valuable information on medicine, nutrition, supplements, surgery, alternative therapies, mind-body cures, and exercise. We don't care where a particular remedy comes from. We just care whether or not it works.

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**44** *Bottom Line/HEALTH* is the best thing that ever happened to our household. The contents are so complete and current that we were able to discontinue our 2 other health publications in favor of one important one that doesn't contain any advertising. Keep up the good work!" Vivian Utko Armonk. NY

**44** I have high blood pressure. Because of *Bottom Line/HEALTH*, I spoke with

my doctor and he changed my medication. I have had great success with it — no more pain in my chest or heart palpitations. I am very pleased."

Dottie Woolridge Las Vegas, NV



**44** Being an industrial nurse, I often post your articles on the inner window of my office for employees to see. Thank you."

Judi Jackson-Hanon Fresno, CA

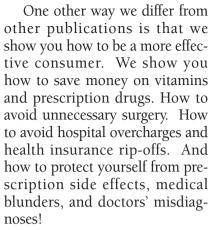
**G**Each month there is at least one article in *Bottom* 

*Line/HEALTH* that is extremely useful for my husband and me — plus the added benefit to my large family of 8 children and 20 grandchildren. I have gifted several of them with subscriptions to *Bottom Line/HEALTH* — which they have continued. I have subscribed for several years and read it the moment it arrives."

> Mary Dot Klock Key Largo, FL

**44** You published a short paragraph about how peppermint oil applied directly to the temples and forehead could relieve headaches. My wife tried it and it worked wonderfully!"

Emanuel Goldman Jersey City, NJ



We think this information is so important that no one should be without it. That's why we've

prepared a third Special Report that we want to send you free. It's called How to Beat Health Care Dangers and Rip-Offs, and it includes vital information like this:

information like this: Prescription Errors That Kill!



You're not the only one who can't read your doctor's handwriting. In a recent survey,

Bottom Line/HEALTH

How to Beat

Health Care

Dangers and

more than HALF of pharmacists admitted they'd filled the wrong prescription due to a doctor's sloppy handwriting!

In one real-life example, a doctor wrote an order for the blood pressure drug *Cardura*<sup>®</sup> ... but the pharmacist read the doctor's scrawl as the anticoagulant *Coumadin*<sup>®</sup>. Luckily, the mistake was caught before it could kill the patient!

Many other patients aren't as lucky. In fact, drug errors account



## Easy Way to Tell If You Have Bad Breath

Illions of people have bad breath and don't even realize it! To find out if you have this problem, do the following: Lick the inside of your wrist, wait 4 seconds, then smell.

Note: If bad breath doesn't go away with brushing and flossing, you may have gum disease or digestive problems. For complete details on how to treat these problems, see your FREE copy of *Healing Secrets Doctors Don't Tell You*. To get your copy, return the Card between pages 14 and 15.

for a staggering 140,000 deaths per year!

To avoid errors on *your* prescriptions, bring a pen and paper to the doctor's office and ask your doctor to spell out the name of the medication. Write it down, along with the correct dosage and schedule. Then, when you pick up your prescription, compare the label with your note.

To further minimize the chance of errors, have the prescription filled between noon and 3 PM. That's the slowest time of day, when pharmacist mistakes are least likely.

### Is Your Sunscreen Blocking Only Half the Radiation?

f you think your sunscreen is protecting you from skin cancer, think again!



Research shows that while most brands of sunscreen do protect you from *shortwave* ultraviolet radiation, they do absolutely NOTHING to protect you from dangerous *longwave* radiation!

So how can you tell if your brand provides the necessary protection? Simply look on the label to make sure it contains the one ingredient that's been proven to block long-wave UV rays. You'll find out about this ingredient, and the brands that contain it, in your free Special Report.

You'll also find out about:

What hospitals don't want you to know. Shocking facts about tainted equipment, staff cuts, doctor misconduct, and more. Here's how to protect yourself.

**Expensive vitamins that pass through your body unabsorbed!** To find out if your brand is bad, just look for this on the label.

**The popular exercise that can make you impotent!** Millions of men do this, without even knowing about the risks.

**How to avoid unnecessary surgery.** Besides getting a second opinion, here are the 3 important things to do.

**Get your HMO to cover alternative treatments.** Secret revealed by HMO insider.

**Glucosamine is perfectly safe, right?** Not if you have this common condition. When taking it can be hazardous to your health.

How to avoid long waits in the hospital emergency room. Magic words that get you

### **66** Bottom Line/HEALTH

keeps us all informed and able to ask intelligent questions of our doctors. One of our employees read about a new drug for asthma and asked her doctor about it — he couldn't believe she knew about it, as he had just heard of it."

> Kay Milroy San Diego, CA

**44** I have been a health care provider for more than 40 years. Reading *Bottom Line/HEALTH* regularly makes me better able to answer my patients' questions."

Dr. William J. Wise Dallas, TX

**4** On May 18, my blood pressure measured 180/108. Shocking to me, since in January it was only 138/84.

The very next day *Bottom Line/HEALTH* arrived with the article on 'Syndrome X.' One sentence popped out at me: 'Many people with Syndrome X also have high blood pressure.'

I stopped eating all sweets immediately. On June 6, my blood pressure measured 137/83. That drop occurred in only 19 days!

I intend to subscribe to *Bottom Line/HEALTH* for the rest of my life. It's a lifesaver."

Else G. Miller Wilmington, DE



seen right away while others wait.

What you should NEVER do at the health club if you have high blood pressure. Can cause a stroke!

When a PSA test can be dangerous to your health. Before you let your doctor give you one, see page 280.

When taking calcium can kill you! Toxic ingredient found in many popular brands. Here's how to tell if yours is safe.

Green tea is good for you right? Not if you're taking this prescription drug! What to avoid.

**Foods that cause cataracts!** Protect your eyes by cutting back on these.

How to find a good naturopathic doctor in your area. Simple way to tell the good from the bad.

#### And much, much more!

I could go on and on about all the health secrets you'll get in your free Special Reports. But what I'd like to do instead is to just *give* them to you.

So please detach the Card at right and return it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. When you do, you'll receive ...

- Healing Secrets Doctors Don't Tell You — FREE!
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- How to Beat Health Care Dangers and Rip-Offs — FREE!
- ✓ The next 3 issues of Bottom Line/HEALTH — **FREE**!

Think of all the benefits you'll get by having these publications in your home. First of all, you'll have the knowledge you need to protect your most precious gift,

# Why Doing Crunches or Sit-Ups Can Give You an Abdominal Pouch

f you want a lean, flat belly, the absolute worst thing you can do is force yourself to do sit-ups and crunches! Reason: although sit-ups and crunches strengthen the rectus abdominus muscle, they also lengthen the transverse abdominus (girdle) muscles, causing your lower abdominals to pouch.



But that's not all. Crunches and sit-ups can push your head out of alignment and cause tension in your shoulders. They can also damage your spine.

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Sincerely yours,

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Rebecca Shannonhouse Editor, *Bottom Line/HEALTH* 

P.S. If you respond within the next 11 days, I'll send you an

ADDITIONAL free gift. It's a wonderful book called *Doctors' Favorite Home Remedies*. C o m p l e t e details are on the next page.

# "Doctor, What's Your Favorite Home Remedy?"

e asked dozens of doctors that question. Then we took all their answers and put them into a book called *Doctors' Favorite Home Remedies*. It's jam-packed with remedies you can use right now to heal common health problems. And we'll send it to you absolutely free — but ONLY when you return the card at left within the next 10 days. Here's a sample of what you'll find in this book:

- **Sore throat?** Just gargle with this common kitchen spice.
- **Toothache?** This coffee bean cure will provide lasting relief.
- **Bruises?** Make them go away with parsley!
- **Bronchitis?** Try the amazing mustard cure.
- **Stress?** Melt it away with basil leaves!
- **Canker sores?** Check out this raspberry cure.

- **Corns?** Get rid of them with lemon peels!
- Joint pain? Try the Saran Wrap<sup>™</sup> cure on page 00.
- **Dizzy spells?** Enjoy the strawberry cure on page 00.
- **Hiccups?** Get rid of them fast with burnt toast!
- Athlete's foot? Wipe it out with garlic.
- **Foot odor?** Send it packing with tea bags!
- **Shaving nick?** This stops the bleeding fast when you don't have a styptic pencil.
- Migraines? Amazing toothpick cure on page 00.
- **Hives?** Get rid of them fast with this herbal tea.
- **Laryngitis?** Cure it with licorice!
- Altitude sickness? Chew on these seeds. Amazing!
- Much more in your free book!

## Instant Relief from Bee Stings

f you, or someone you know, gets stung by a bee, do this:

First, remove the stinger by gently scraping it away with a credit card or dull knife.

Next, grab a tablet of Alka-Seltzer® and moisten it slightly so that it starts fizzing when you apply it to the sting. Alka-Seltzer contains baking soda, which reduces inflammation ... and aspirin, which relieves pain. And the fizzing allows both substances to travel beneath your skin, providing immediate relief! Bottom Line/HEALTH

Doctors' Favorite Home Remedies

Best Way to Remove a Splinter: USE AN ONION!

Put away that sewing needle! Next time you get a stubborn splinter, you can pull it out easily by doing the following:

Cut a small, postagestamp-sized piece of fresh onion and place it on the padded part of an adhesive bandage. Then wrap it around the splintered skin. By morning, the onion will have drawn the splinter to the surface, making it easy to remove with a pair of tweezers.





## **SPECIAL REPORT**

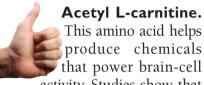
# 5 Memory-Boosting Pills That Really Work ... Plus 4 Scams to Avoid

o you sometimes forget where you put your glasses? Or where you parked your car? As we age, these and other memory lapses can make us feel like we're losing our mental edge. That's why brain-boosting supplements, herbs, and drugs are so popular. But do the top-sellers really work? Are they safe?

To find out, *Bottom Line/ HEALTH* asked Dr. Jay Schneider, professor of neurology at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. Here's how he rated the 9 best-selling pills:

## INSIDE ...

- **Doctor-approved home remedies.** 12 kitchen cabinet cures that really work. Page 00, inside.
- How to detect deadly artery blockages using nothing more than a blood pressure cuff. 5 minutes is all it takes ... and it can save your life! Page 00, inside.
- The cold and flu remedy that fights cancer! Ancient Asian remedy, now available in the US. Page 00, inside.
- Millions have bad breath and don't realize it. Here's a quick test you can do to find out if you're one of them. Just do this to your wrist. Page 00, inside.



that power brain-cell activity. Studies show that taking it improves memory and attention, even in healthy young adults. Acetyl L-carnitine may also stave off the protein deposits

early-stage Alzheimer's patients. *Recommended dosage:* 1 to 3 grams a day.

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**B Vitamins.** Clinical studies show that vitamins B-1 (thiamine), B-3 (niacin), and B-6 (pyridoxine) may immory and thinking

prove memory and thinking. How do they work? Thiamine helps the body burn carbohy-

drates, the primary source of energy for brain cells. Niacin appears to boost short-term memory and comprehension. And B-6 plays a role in forming several of the brain's neurotransmitters.

*Recommended dosage:* Follow instructions on the labels of B-complex and individual B vitamins.

*Caution:* More than 2 grams a day of niacin can cause peptic ulcers and may make cardiac arrhythmia worse. More than 200 mg a day of B-6 can be toxic to nerve cells and may interfere with Parkinson's disease drugs.

**Fipexide.** This over-the-counter stimulant is said to enhance thinking and learning by increasing levels of dopamine to the brain. In a single clinical trial, fipexide did improve mental functioning in a group of older patients with brain disease. However, it's been known to cause severe liver damage! Better to stay away from this one.

Gerovital. This supplement — marketed as an antiaging formula for body and brain — is nothing more than the local anesthetic procaine, combined with an antioxidant and a

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