

Immunology

Diagnosis and treatment of body reactions resulting from hypersensitivity to foods, pollens, dusts, medicines, or other substances that do not normally cause a reaction

Anesthesiology

Administration of a drug or gas to induce partial or complete loss of sensation with or without loss of consciousness

Cardiology

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the heart, arteries, veins, and capillaries

Dermatology

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the skin

Endocrinology

Diagnosis and treatment of the endocrine glands and their internal secretions

General practice or family practice

Diagnosis and treatment of disease by medical and surgical methods, without limitation to organ systems or body regions, to all members of a family regardless of age or sex

Geriatrics or gerontology

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the aged

Gynecology

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the female reproductive organs

Hematology

Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the blood and blood-forming tissues

Internal medicine

Diagnosis and treatment of internal organs by other than surgical means to adults

Neonatology

Study and care of newborn infants

Neurology

Diagnosis and treatment of the nervous system and its diseases and abnormalities

Neurological surgery

Surgery of the nervous system

Obstetrics Care of women during pregnancy, childbirth, and a short period after childbirth

Oncology Diagnosis and treatment of tumors; the physician is a cancer specialist

Ophthalmology Diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases, including prescribing glasses

Orthopedics Prevention and correction of disorders involving locomotor structures of the body, especially the skeleton, joints, muscles, fascia, and other supporting structures such as ligaments and cartilage

Otolaryngology Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the ear, nose, and throat

Pathology Study and cause of disease; a pathologist usually specializes in autopsy or in clinical or surgical pathology

Pediatrics	Diagnosis and treatment of children's diseases
Plastic surgery	Surgery for the restoration, repair, or reconstruction of body structures
Physiatrics	Treatment of disease by natural methods, especially physical therapy
Pulmonology	Diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the lungs
Psychiatry	Diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental illness
Radiology	Prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of diseases with radioactive substances, including x-rays
Rheumatology	Diagnosis and treatment of rheumatic diseases
Surgery	Treatment of deformities, injury, and disease with manual and operative procedures

Thoracic surgery

Surgery involving the rib cage and structures contained within the thoracic cage

Urology

Diagnosis and treatment of the urinary tract in both sexes and of the male genital tract

Abb.	meaning
UTI	urinary tract infection
URI	upper respiratory infection
SOB	shortness of breath
REM	rapid eye movement
TB	tuberculosis
STD	sexually transmitted disease
RA	rheumatoid arthritis; right atrium
RDS	respiratory distress syndrome
TFT	thyroid function test
UA	urinalysis
SLE	systemic lupus erythematosus
NIDDM	non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus

Abb.	meaning
PSA	prostate-specific antigen
NSAID	nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug
IOP	intraocular pressure
ECG	electrocardiogram
ARF	acute renal failure
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
RA	rheumatoid arthritis; right atrium
GN	glomerulonephritis
ALL	acute lymphocytic leukemia
UA	urinalysis
ESR	erythrocyte sedimentation rate
ACTH	adrenocorticotrophic hormone