



Scrawled shortcuts through the research maze...

Pandemics in Historical Perspective

Encyclopedia of Plague and Pestilence

Bubonic Plague, Typhoid, Cholera, Legionnaires', Polio, Smallpox: read all about the outbreaks. Use Appendix I to find outbreaks of specific diseases.

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International Encyclopedia of Public Health

Where do pandemics come from? Outside of TV shows, who studies them? Check out "Emerging Diseases" and "Epidemiology, Historical"—or look up your favorite epidemic diseases and public health efforts against them.

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Emerging Infectious Diseases

Most people know the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) as the first line of defense and information on infectious diseases in the US. This CDC journal is the scholarly equivalent of TV's *Medical Investigation*.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/index.htm>

Epidemic & Pandemic Alert and Response (WHO)

Where do these threat levels come from? The World Health Organization program that administers the Pandemic Threat level posts its news here—as well as information on other diseases it tracks and how the alert system works.

<http://www.who.int/csr/en/>

Encyclopedia of Disasters

The plague of Constantinople, the Black death of London, and the 1918 influenza are among the great disasters of history covered here. Entries are in date order so you can compare them with concurrent crises.

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Cambridge Historical Dictionary of Disease

What's the difference between Typhus and Typhoid? At the risk of succumbing to Medical Student Syndrome, browse these descriptions of diseases and the histories of their incidence and treatment. See *epidemics* in the index for more.

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Contagion: Historical Views of Diseases and Epidemics

What happened during the 19th century cholera outbreaks? The 1793 Yellow Fever in Philadelphia? Background and contemporary accounts/debate on nine epidemics. From Harvard University's Open Collections Program.

<http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/contagion/cholera.html>

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