Rheumatoid Arthritis Warrior Fact Sheet

RA Warrior is a comprehensive website supporting a growing online rheumatology community since 2009. Patients, caregivers, and professionals read and offer information and support online and face-to-face.

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- Increase public awareness about RA and rheumatoid diseases.
- Provide support for patients in ways that will improve their lives.
- Present the patient journey in ways that increase scientific understanding of the disease.

WHAT'S ON THE WEBSITE?

The Blog: a humorous & encouraging posts take on rheumatology topics. News and discussion on RA treatments & research, & help for living with RA to be as healthy as possible. 800 Pages and growing.

Tags: Click the arrows to scroll through the list of about 100 key topics.

Web Pages: Some highlights from the many pages on the menu...

- **RA Map for the newly diagnosed** A clickable mall map leading to dozens of articles & links about hot topics for the newly diagnosed such as tests, treatments, fears, & nutrition.
- **Onset Story Project** over 150 stories of how the disease began, in the own words of patients.
- <u>Methotrexate Section</u> 30 pages of information about methotrexate for RA, in addition to many comments pages with valuable tips from readers.
- <u>**RA Info Button</u>** A blue button image that can be placed on any webpage to link to the **RA Info Page** that simply answers 7 basic questions about RA. Great awareness tool.</u>
- **<u>RA 101</u>** An 11 page introduction to RA for the patient or caregiver.
- **RA Kitchen** Kitchen management tips, RA-rated easy recipes, or RA-healthy ingredients.
- Local RA Support Groups This page is maintained in conjunction with Arthritis Introspective which trains & assists leaders for local support systems.
- **Do I Have RA?** An uncomplicated tool for anyone wondering whether he or she might have RA.

Facebook

<u>RA Warrior's Facebook group</u> is a vibrant community of about 22,000 members. Men & women, young & old, veterans & newly diagnosed provide encouragement & support to one another in the battle against Rheumatoid disease.

YouTube

<u>RA Warrior's YouTube channel</u> already has over 55,000 views and over 450 subscribers. First RA PSA has almost 17,000 views! Down to earth videos spread awareness about RA & bring encouragement to patients.

Twitter

RA Warrior started the Twitter hashtag: #rheum in 2010 to connect patients, caregivers, healthcare professionals, and researchers. #Rheum Tweetchats take place Sundays at 3 pm ET via @rheum_chat.

T-shirts & awareness gear

<u>RA Warrior's t-shirt store</u> is full of cheerful & uplifting awareness t-shirts, hoodies, & tanks to promote awareness or support a loved one's fight. Drinkware & aprons also available.

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