acute
    sharp or severe in effect; intense
    "She was in acute pain when the doctor arrived."

bedridden
    confined to bed because of illness or injury
    "Mr Jones was bedridden for two weeks after the operation."

benign
    non-cancerous, self-limiting
    "Benign tumors do not spread through the body."

blood work
    any of a series of tests conducted on a patient's blood
    "When the results of the blood work came back, the initial diagnosis was confirmed."

chronic
    constant, having a long duration
    "She suffers from chronic migraines so has to take a lot of time off work."

combat
    take action to reduce or prevent something
    "She suffers from chronic migraines so has to take a lot of time off work."

counseling
    professional guidance given by speech
    "Preventative counseling can be very effective in changing a patient's harmful habits."

deficient
    insufficient, not enough
    "A lot of people take dietary supplements to compensate for vitamin deficiencies in their system."

dispense
    to distribute, to give to
    "Medications are dispensed at 08:00, 12:00, and 18:00 by the nurse on duty."
imperative
    of great importance or necessity
    "It is imperative that women over the age of 40 be screened for breast cancer."

interpret
    to understand a meaning in a particular way
    "Unfortunately there are several ways to interpret test results so doctors cannot be 100% sure of the cause."

malignant
    characterized by uncontrolled growth, invasive, cancerous
    "If the tumor is malignant, we will have to operate."

otherwise
    You should go to the doctor otherwise the infection may get worse
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pharmacology
    the science of dealing with the preparation and effects of drugs
    "In order to work as a pharmacist you have to study pharmacology."

rehabilitation
    the act of restoring to good health or good condition
    "Patients can become very frustrated during the rehabilitation process."

respond to
    to react favorably to
    "His body is responding to the treatment so he is no longer in a critical condition."

sedation
    the calming of mental excitement or physical function often by the administering of drugs
    "Patients who self-prescribe are often at serious risk as they do not have full knowledge of the effects."

self-prescribe
    designating a medication on one's own without the involvement of a doctor
    "Patients who self-prescribe are often at serious risk as they do not have full knowledge of the effects."

surgical intervention
    the act of surgery or operating on a patient
    "Surgical interventions have become much safer in recent years."
tumor

an internal growth of cells

"If you feel a tumor in your breast, you should contact your GP immediately."