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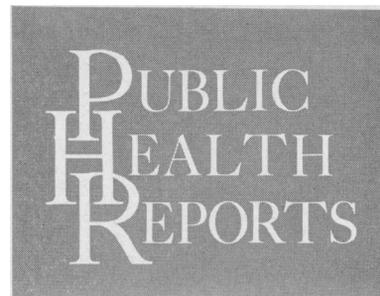


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Almost 1,000 years ago, Avicenna (980–1037), the wise physician-philosopher, anticipated today's concern with geriatrics. His great Canon discusses the nutritional, mental, and physical needs of the aging. (Picture courtesy of Iranian Embassy.)

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