

Elizabeth Cohen, MPH

CNN Senior Medical Correspondent

An expert on patient empowerment, health care reform, and health communications, Elizabeth Cohen has been informing and educating audiences on CNN for more than 20 years. As the network's senior medical correspondent and author of the national bestseller *The Empowered Patient*, Cohen has become the nation's patient advocate and a recognized authority on the movement for improved health care in the United States.

Cohen has reported on location for nearly every major medical story in recent history, including the West Virginia water contamination, the Boston marathon bombing, the Gabby Giffords shooting, the BP oil spill, the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Hurricane Katrina, and September 11th. She also reported on Obamacare from the White House and Capitol Hill and reported from the Supreme Court on major healthcare decisions.

Cohen's passion on health care is born out of her own experiences, both good and bad, as a medical advocate for her children. She's received numerous awards, including a Sigma Delta Chi award for excellence in journalism from the Society of Professional Journalists, the Gracie award for outstanding correspondent, and the distinguished alumni award from Boston University, where she earned her master's degree in public health. She earned her bachelor's degree from Columbia College in New York City. Cohen lives in Atlanta with her husband and four daughters.