# The History of American Medicine

From the Late Colonial Period to the Great Society (1765 to 1965)

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