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Library Hours

Monday – Thursday	7:00 a.m. – Midnight
Friday	7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Circulation Policies

Audiovisual materials:	7 days, 2 renewals
Books:	2 weeks, 2 renewals
Bound journals:	Same day, non-renewable
Nursing journals:	In-house use only
Unbound journals:	2 hours
Renewals:	Call 713.799.7147

Overdues

Overdue charges are \$1.25 per item per day. Unpaid fines result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.

Telephone Numbers

Location and Hours	713.795.4200
Dr. Elizabeth K. Eaton's office	713.799.7108
Circulation Desk (renewals, fines)	713.799.7147
Computer Lab	713.799.7106
Development	713.799.7153
Education and Training	713.799.7170
Information Services	713.799.7161
McGovern Historical Center	713.799.7139
Photocopy/Interlibrary Loan	713.799.7179
Regional Medical Library	713.799.7880

Fax Numbers

Administration	713.790.7052
Information Services	713.797.0163
Photocopy/Interlibrary Loan	713.790.7056
Regional Medical Library	713.790.7030

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Do you have a story idea? Would you like to contact the editor? Email us at: beatrizv@library.tmc.edu

Halloween Open House

To celebrate National Medical Librarians Month, the Library hosted a Halloween Open House on October 31st. Visitors to the Library were encouraged to register for drawings during the day. Among prizes awarded were two USB memory sticks, copy cards and selected historical books. A sale of leisure reading books was held in the Library.



We would like to thank our enthusiastic Library staff for their participation in this event.

Electronic Health Information Kiosk Placed at the Mexican Consulate

The Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center (HAM-TMC) Library placed a multilingual electronic touch-screen health information kiosk at the Mexican Consulate's onsite medical information center on November 7, 2007. The kiosk is a free resource for the Consulate's users and visitors.



From left to right: Edgar Vesga Arias and Nora L. López from Texas Children's Hospital; Adela Justice, HAM-TMC Library; Charles Stauter, eFusion Integrated Solutions Inc.; and José Vincente Borjon, Consul for Community Affairs, Consulado General de Mexico en Houston.

The *Health is Wealth* kiosk provides access to health brochures in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese and Korean. Free printing of the brochures is also provided. Health topics include immunization, nutrition, diabetes, children's health, and domestic abuse, among others. The kiosk is also Internet-capable.

The Consulate's medical information center opened in November 2006. It is a partnership between the Consulate, Texas Children's Hospital and St. Luke's Episcopal Health System and offers basic health care information. There are computers available for research as well as a collection of health brochures and books.

The information center is also designed to steer patients away from overburdened emergency rooms and inform them of alternatives, such as nonprofit clinics where they can seek medical care.

The Library previously placed electronic health kiosks at two Houston Public Library locations, the Henington-Alief Regional Library and the Park Place Regional Library.



Other kiosks are located at the HOPE Clinic at 7001 Corporate, Ste. 120 and in the HAM-TMC Library's Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Center at 1133 John Freeman Blvd. The kiosks are funded by the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library.

The Consulate's medical information center is located on the third floor of the Mexican Consulate at 4506 Caroline. Hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information on the kiosk project contact Adela Justice at adela.justice@exch.library.tmc.edu or call 713.799.7183.



Library Subscribes to *MD CONSULT*

The Library now has a subscription to MD CONSULT, a database of clinical information. *MD CONSULT* provides

access to the following information:

- 35 Clinics of North America titles
- Drug information database
- Practice guidelines
- 57 electronic book titles that can be browsed by title or by specialty
- Patient education information
- Over 50,000 medical images
- CME

Please note that registration to access *MD CONSULT* is not necessary.

Access to MD Consult is based on IP address and remote user authentication, not on individual registration. Users can register with *MD CONSULT* if they want to take advantage of the special features offered with this option. Personal account creation enables the individual user to customize patient handouts and news feeds, as well as to use *MD CONSULT* on PDA's.

To access *MD CONSULT* go to the library web site: <http://resource.library.tmc.edu/>
Click on databases and select *MD CONSULT*.

MD CONSULT is available at the educational level and via remote access.

Dietary Supplements Labels Database
brands, ingredients, and references

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The National Library of Medicine has released a new resource focused on dietary supplements.

Dietary Supplements Labels Database <http://dietarysupplements.nlm.nih.gov> includes information from the labels of over 2,000 brands of dietary supplements in the marketplace, including vitamins, minerals, herbs or other botanicals, amino acids, and other specialty supplements.

The database is designed to help both the general public and health care providers find information about ingredients in brand-name products, including name, form, active and inactive ingredients, amount of active ingredient/unit, manufacturer/distributor information, suggested dose, label claims, warnings, percentage of daily value, and further label information.

To access the database go to the Library website <http://resource.library.tmc.edu/> and select databases.



News in Health

The December issue of *News in Health*, a publication that includes practical health news and tips

based on the latest NIH research, is now available at: <http://newsinhealth.nih.gov/>

Featured Stories:

- *Raise a Toast to Healthy Holidays: Celebrate the Season Without Risky Drinking*
- *Dealing With Hearing Loss: Hearing Aids Can Help*

Health Capsules:

- *Lack of Sleep Disrupts Emotional Controls*
- *Diabetes Rates Increasing Youth*

Featured Website: [Aging and Health en Español](http://www.nia.nih.gov/Espanol)

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From the National Institute on Aging, this web site includes information on diseases and conditions, medical care, medications and safety.

As the primary federal agency for conducting and supporting medical research, NIH produces content that is not copyrighted. Copies can be downloaded and displayed free of charge.

Library Class Schedule

Attend a free class offered by the Library during 2007.

EndNote

December 12 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

PubMed

December 11 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

For a complete class schedule, class descriptions, times and registration visit:

<http://www.library.tmc.edu/classes/listclasses.cfm>