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Monday–Thursday	7:00 am–Midnight
Friday	7:00 am–9:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am–5:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm–10:00 pm

The Library is closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 1998.

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: 709-7147

OVERDUES

Overdue charges are \$1.00 per item per day. Unpaid lines result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

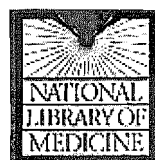
Location and Hours	713/795-4200
Administrative Offices	799-7110
Circulation Desk (renewals, fines)	799-7147
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Education and Training	799-7169
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WORLD WIDE WEB ACCESS

<http://www.library.tmc.edu>

STAY CURRENT WITH FREE PUBMED!

PubMed

Experience using **PubMed/Internet Grateful Med** for MEDLINE searches! It is great, and it is FREE to everyone from anywhere in the world. In addition, it is updated daily, includes full-text articles, and is the most current MEDLINE database available (commercial databases are not as current). The switch to **PubMed** enables the Library to redistribute its limited resources and to acquire more online full-text journals.

PubMed and **IGM** can be used by everyone from any location (home, office, library, hospital), without a password. **PubMed** advantages include daily updates, and linkages to publishers' sites for the full-text of approximately 100 journals. Other **PubMed** features include a clinical query form with built-in search filters for diagnosis, etiology, therapy, and prognosis, and links to molecular biology databases of DNA/protein sequences and 3-D structure data.

Internet Grateful Med provides free access to MEDLINE, AIDSLINE, HealthSTAR, AIDS DRUGS, AIDSTRIALS, DIRLINE, HISTLINE, HSRPROJ, OLDMEDLINE and SDILINE. Journals covering consumer health topics have been added to MEDLINE. Links to **PubMed** and **IGM** are on the Library Home Page (www.library.tmc.edu). **PubMed classes are scheduled on August 12, and September 9 and 23.** (7131799-7161; 7131799-7162).

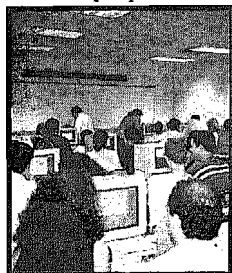
WELCOME TO THE HAM-TMC LIBRARY

The Library staff joins me in inviting all new students, faculty, researchers and staff to join the HAM-TMC Library. Newcomers can register for Library cards and Library orientations offered Friday afternoons 2-4 pm. Students, residents, fellows, faculty and researchers are eligible for FREE computer access to the web and Library resources. Everyone will be given FREE guided tours, orientations and a Library guide explaining how and where to best meet your information needs. Contact the Reference Desk (713/799-7161) to sign-up. I encourage you to take advantage of the Library's new expanded services.

Naomi C. Broering, MLS, MA, Executive Director

HEALTH INFORMATICS EDUCATION/ VIDEO CONFERENCE CENTER

Have you used the Library's new Health **Informatics** Education **Center** (HIEC)? It is a modern, elegant computer/videoconference center in the Library's lower level. There are two multipurpose informatics class/lab rooms equipped with the latest workstations and software. The **Videoconferencing** Center supports distance-learning and telemedicine programs for the entire Texas Medical Center campus including the educational programs of Baylor College of Medicine, the University of Texas Houston Health Science Center, Texas Woman's University, Texas A&M University and Prairieview A&M University. There are also five audio-visual study rooms and two conference rooms in the HIEC. Students and medical professionals of the Texas Medical Center are invited to use the HIEC's services and facilities for teaching; to search the World Wide Web and medical databases; to create presentations and desktop publishing documents; use educational software; and for two-way V-Tel videoconferencing and satellite downlinking.



The HIEC offers services including: informatics courses; continuing-education conferences; video-conferences; lab or classroom use for groups; webpage design services; faxing and printing; and consulting services. Standard services are FREE, value-added services have nominal fees. To book or schedule classes contact Donald Barclay (713/799-7120; donaldb@library.tmc.edu).

A GROWING FAMILY OF KNOWLEDGE NETWORK DATABASES

The Library provides members with a full array of databases. Whether your information needs are for the latest in the medical or nursing literature, consumer health information, the business aspects of health care, government publications or general information, the Library has a database that will help.

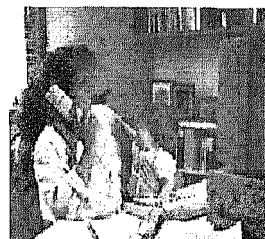
Check them out on the Library's Home Page (www.library.tmc.edu).

PubMed/MEDLINE	ABI/Inform
AIDSLINE	ArticleFirst
Books in Print	Britannica Online
CancerLit	CINAHL
ContentsFirst	Current Contents
ERIC (FirstSearch)	ERIC(OVID)
FastDoc	Federal Register
GPO Monthly Catalog	I-Tarrison's Online
Health Reference Center	HealthSTAR
HSTAT	JSTOR
NetFirst	PapersFirst
Periodical Abstracts	ProceedingsFirst
PsychInfo	Uncover Reveal
Uncover Web	Union Lists of Periodicals
WorldCat	

Plans are to add a drug information system, PDQ, Genbank and more full-text systems. Watch this newsletter for those future additions.

TEXAS HEALTHINFO: A CONSUMER HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICE

Texas HealthInfo is another new Library service designed to help



consumers and health professionals find information materials for patients and their families. It is

a cooperative project of the HAM-TMC Library, the Harris County Public Library, the Houston Public Library, and the I-Houston Department of Health and Human Services.

To kick off the program, the HAM-TMC Library is offering FREE information packets on selected health topics. The Library has added a special computer workstation for consumer health searches, and also a web page dedicated to meeting consumer health needs (www.library.tmc.edu/conshith.html).

Texas HealthInfo offers access to databases such as MEDLINE, Health Reference Center, Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine, CINAHL and more.

The I-IAM-TMC Library plans to provide links on its Home Page to the collections of the participating institutions and libraries. The program will include services for literature searches; assistance from medical librarians; self-service access to PubMed and the Internet; and access to the Library's books and journals. Users can photocopy/print articles for a copying fee. Instruction on start-up use of PubMed and Internet searching is also offered.

For more information, contact Knowledge Network librarians Deborah Halsted (713/799-7163; deborahh@library.tmc.edu) or Elizabeth Williams (713/799-7183; elizaw@library.tmc.edu).

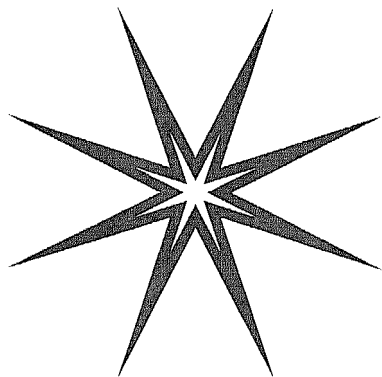
HARRISON'S ONLINE

Harrison's Online is the newest FREE full-text database added to the Library's family of Knowledge Network databases. Access it through the HAM-TMC Library's Home Page (www.library.tmc.edu)! **Harrison's Online** turns the **Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine** into an updated medical database that delivers current, high-quality information.

Look for these important features in **Harrison's Online**..

- full search capabilities of the new 14th edition of **Warrison's Principles of Internal Medicine**
- new and revised content updated on the 1st and 15th of each month
- late-breaking clinical trial data
- updated therapy
- new references
- links to related web sites
- added illustrations
- self-assessment questions
- and much more!

No password is needed for login, and access is granted to any computer that has a "tmc.edu" IP address. Limited licenses are available. Please use the "comments" link at the bottom of the Library Home Page to send messages regarding **Harrison's Online**.



SECOND ANNUAL COMPUTERS IN WEALTH CARE CONFERENCE

"Cyberspace Medicine" was the theme of the Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library's Second Annual Computers in Health Care Conference, held Monday, June 22, 1998, in the Sammons Auditorium of the Jesse Jones Library Building. Dr. Richard Wainerdi, President of the Texas Medical Center, and Naomi C. Broering, the Library's Executive Director, opened the conference and welcomed nearly 225 registered attendees. Dr. Donald A. B. Lindberg, Director of the National Library of Medicine, presented advanced cyberspace projects and Vice President Al Gore's announcement of **free PubMed** via a videotaped address, which enthralled the audience.



Plenary speakers covering educational, clinical, research, consumer health and library cyberspace features included Dr. Joseph Kerwin, Senior Vice President of Wyle Laboratories and SkyLab Astronaut; Dr. Jack Smith, Chair of the UT-Houston School of Allied Health Sciences Department of Health Informatics; Dr. J. Robert Beck, Vice President for Information Technology at Baylor College of Medicine; and Dr. Stephen J. Spann, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Family and Community Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine.

Following the program was a celebration of the Grand Opening of the Library's **Health Informatics Education Center**. Demonstrations of online full-text systems and a workshop on PubMed were given. The new two-way videoconference room for distance-learning and telemedicine was heavily used for demonstrations of the Electronic Journal Navigator, Blackwell's full-text system of the world's journal articles.

The Library also celebrated grants received from the Houston Endowment, the M. D. Anderson Foundation, and the Rockwell Fund, who generously supported the development of the Informatics Center and the Texas HealthInfo project, a Houston consumer health information project.

NEW REFERENCE LIBRARIAN



Vait Yousefi joined the Library's Knowledge Network Services staff on July 1, 1998. He has a

masters degree in philosophy from the University of Houston and his Masters of Library Science from the University of North Texas.

Mr. Yousefi has experience in all areas of library operations including Circulation, Acquisition, Serials, Interlibrary Loans and Reference. His primary interest is in the use of the emerging technologies in the organization and delivery of information.

He brings the Library a unique combination of skills and a commitment to user services.

LIBRARY CLASSES

HAM-TMC Library Medical Informatics Series

Internet Introduction

9:00-11:00 August 11 and September 15

Features Internet development and components; Client-server technology; e-mail; discussion lists; the World Wide Web & URLs; Using Netscape and bookmarklets; Basics of Internet search engines, including Yahoo, Lycos, and AltaVista; Hands-on practice.

Internet Advanced

9:00-11:00 August 20 and September 24

This class covers Client-server architecture & applications; URLs & Internet protocols; Printing, e-mailing & downloading; Telnet, gopher, FTP, & helper applications; Browsing subject oriented lists; Using Internet search engines; Hands-on practice.

PubMed

12:00-1:00 August 12, September 9 and 23

This class will present an overview of the PubMed database and its searching using the Internet, including: Searching by subject headings, keywords, and authors; Searching for clinical queries; Use of limitations.

Farewell and best wishes to Linda Valdez, Library Information Specialist.

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