

The Insider Express

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The Insider Express communicates Library news to our users and the Texas Medical Center community. To subscribe or to be removed from this list please send a message to liblines@library.tmc.edu

Hot Topics: Library Usage Survey; November 16, Deadline to Vote on Enhanced Public Access to NIH Research Information; Electronic Kiosk Now Available in the Library; Library Class Schedule.

Library Usage Survey

The Library is asking for your help while we collect library usage statistics for 2 weeks.

From October 31 to November 13, 2004, the HAM-TMC Library staff will be conducting a usage study of everyone physically entering the library and those who use the two computer labs.

The information gathered in this survey will help library management assess who is using the library and for what reasons. Data collected will help us to continue to offer the services you value most, and also to consider new services.

Please help us by responding to staff requests regarding the following information:

- your professional or academic status (faculty, resident, student, etc.)
- your institutional affiliation (Baylor, UT, Memorial Hermann, etc.)
- the general nature of your visit (to study, to do research, for patient care, etc.)

Questions or comments can be directed to Deborah Halsted, MLS, MA, Associate Director, Public Services and Operations, 713.799.7163 or deborahh@library.tmc.edu

November 16, Deadline to Vote on Enhanced Public Access to NIH Research Information
VOTE! Let your voice be heard! Comments on the NIH Proposal: Enhanced Public Access to NIH Research Information are due by November 16, 2004.

Issued by National Institutes of Health (NIH) "This notice is to announce and to seek public comments regarding NIH's plans to facilitate enhanced public access to NIH health related research information. NIH intends to request that its grantees and supported Principal

Investigators provide the NIH with electronic copies of all final version manuscripts upon acceptance for publication if the research was supported in whole or in part by NIH funding." (**Notice Number:** NOT-OD-04-064)

Comments Online Form: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/public_access/add.htm

Information from NIH about the Proposal: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-04-064.html>

NIH Proposal FAQ from SPARC (Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition): <http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/nihfaq.htm>

HAM-TMC Library's Scholarly Publishing Blog: http://hamtmclibrarycollmgmt.typepad.com/resources_and_more/

Electronic Kiosk Now Available in the Library

Health is Wealth, an electronic touch-screen kiosk is now located in the consumer health area of the HAM-TMC Library.

The kiosk contains 37 health brochures in five languages: Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Korean, and English, for a total of 185 brochures, on topics such as diabetes, hepatitis, HIV, and nutrition. Brochures are accessible via touch-screen and printing of brochures is free of charge.

The *Health is Wealth* kiosk is sponsored by the Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service of the HAM-TMC Library and the

Asian American Health Coalition of Houston. It is funded by the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library, with a gift from the Burlington Resources Foundation, and Tammy Tran, Houston Attorney. The kiosk is a continuation of the Consumer Health Information for Asians project, which began providing paper health information brochures in Chinese, Vietnamese, and English in 2000.

For more information contact: Adela V. Calbillo, MLS, Information Services Librarian, Consumer Health, 713.799.7183 or acalbillo@library.tmc.edu

Library Class Schedule

Do you want to learn how to retrieve the Library's electronic journals more effectively? Or how to use bibliographic software such as Reference Manager and End Note? Attend a class at the HAM-TMC Library. Classes are free.

For class schedule and registration information visit: <http://resource.library.tmc.edu/class/schedule.php>

Please check the library website for class schedule changes.

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

Library Publications

Do you need information in how to get a library card or how to register for remote access? Check the latest issue of Library Lines at:

<http://resource.library.tmc.edu/pubs/pubArchives/liblines/jul04.pdf>