Important Notice: BioMed Central

Due to budget constraints and a change in the BioMed Central Institutional Membership pricing model, the HAM-TMC Library has not renewed its institutional membership for the fiscal year 2007. Authors at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston and Baylor College of Medicine interested in publishing articles in BioMed Central journals, will have to pay the required author fees.

The HAM-TMC Library continues to strongly support Open Access and maintains its institutional membership with Public Library of Science. However, the increase in costs for our BioMed Central institutional membership is so prohibitive that we cannot renew it. Please contact epresourses@library.tmc.edu with questions or comments.

Access to Current Contents Database Ending October 1

Effective October 1, 2006, the HAM-TMC Library will cancel its subscription to the Current Contents database. Reasons for the cancellation include:

• Lack of Currency – For the journals Library users read more frequently, information generally appears in PubMed three days to three weeks earlier than it appears in Current Contents.

• Duplicate Coverage – The journals covered in Current Contents are also covered in the Web of Science database. A citation appears in Web of Science within two to three days of when it appears in Current Contents.

• Expense – The cost of Current Contents equals or exceeds the combined cost of databases such as UpToDate, Journal Citation Reports (impact factors), and SCOPUS.

A study by the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Research Medical Library available at (http://www3.mdanderson.org/library/alert/newsbytes4_06.html#One) provided evidence for making this decision.

If you use Current Contents and would like help searching alternative databases, please contact the Information Services desk (713.799.7161, 713.799-7162 or reference librarian@library.tmc.edu). If you have questions about the cancellation, please contact Leah Krevit (713.799.7126 or leah.krevit@exch.library.tmc.edu).
New and Returning TexShare Databases

TexShare, the state-wide resource sharing program for academic and public libraries, provided more than 50 databases available beginning July 1, 2006. These include general databases such as Academic Search Premier, science and technology databases such as Health Source and Computer Source, and many others. The databases are currently available to Educational Level users at the Databases A-Z List on the Library’s website. Descriptions of each database will be available soon.

The complete list includes:

**Ebsco:**
- Academic Search Premier
- AGRICOLA
- Alt Health Watch
- Bibliography of Native North Americans
- Business Source Complete
- Computer Source
- Consumer Health Complete
- Economia y Negocios
- Encyclopedia of Animals
- ERIC
- Fuente Academica
- Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia
- Health Source: Consumer Edition
- Health Source: Nursing/Academic
- Information Science & Technology Abstracts
- Internet & Personal Computing Abstracts
- Legal Collection
- MAS Ultra: School Edition
- MasterFILE Premier
- MedicLatina
- MEDLINE
- Middle Search Plus
- Military & Government Collection
- Natural & Alternative Treatments
- Newspaper Source
- Primary Search
- Professional Development Collection
- Psychology & Behavioral Sciences Collection
- Regional Business News
- Religion & Philosophy
- Science & Technology Collection
- Texas Reference Center
- Serials Directory
- TOPICsearch
- Vocational & Career Collection
- World History Collection
Gale:
Health and Wellness Resource Center with Alternative Health module
Health Reference Center Academic
InfoTrac Custom Newspapers
Literature Resource Center
Twayne’s Authors Series
Scribner Writers

NetLibrary

OCLC’s World Cat

ProQuest:
20th Century English Poetry
20th Century American Poetry
Heritage Quest
Sanborn Maps
eLibrary Curriculum

New Features Available in TOXMAP

TOXMAP, a Geographic Information System (GIS) database from the Division of Specialized Information Services of the National Library of Medicine, has been updated to include the following features:

- Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) releases summary table for each TRI facility showing all years and chemicals in table format
- Larger default maps (with the option for small maps)
- Enhanced homepage map
- Auto-completion of chemical names in text entry fields (like Quick Search) and
- A “For Teachers” page that includes a downloadable sample assignment


News in Health

The August 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:
- Caring for the Care Givers – The Hidden Victims of Long-Term Illness
- Noise pollution – A Different Environmental Problem

Health Capsules:
- Extreme Obesity’s Harsh Toll
- Can Your Community Make You Heavier?
Featured Website: Media-Smart Youth: Eat, Think and Be Active!
An interactive after-school education program for young people ages 11-13 to help them interpret the media messages they receive every day and help them make healthier choices about food and physical activities.
http://www.nichd.nih.gov/msy/

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 one or more free classes offered by the Library during the months of September-October 2006:
Basic HTML: September 19
Dissertation Abstracts: October 19
EndNote: September 20, October 25
Evidence-based Medicine Databases: September 19
Library Research for Office Assistants: September 13
Navigating Full-Text Journals: October 10
PHpartners: September 8 – CME OFFERED
PubMed: September 6, October 18
Science Citation Index: October 17
SciFinder Scholar: September 28, October 26
TOXNET: September 26, October 24

For a complete class schedule, class descriptions, times and registration visit:
http://resource.library.tmc.edu/class/schedule.php

Classes are offered in the Street Level Classroom of the Library.