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, the individual user to customize personal account creation enables features offered with this option.

To access MD CONSULT go to the library web site: http://consult.library.tmc.edu

Click on databases and select MD CONSULT.

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

Fund Raising

The Texas Medical Center is Growing So Fast! Have you noticed the changes? The excellent patient care that TMC institutions are known for requires highly trained medical professionals, many of whom attend colleges, complete their clinical training, and go on to practice, do research and teach somewhere on the TMC campus. The HAM-TMC Library is here to serve students, faculty, physicians, staff and researchers, as well as patients and their caregivers.

Since its founding in 1949, the HAM-TMC Library has been the TMC’s hub of health and medical sciences information. The Library now serves more than 40 institutions, among them two medical schools, three nursing schools, and 13 renovated hospitals. Through its designation as Regional Medical Library for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine’s South Central Region, it provides lending and other library services to four surrounding states, as well as offering community outreach and classes in 18 Texas counties. This Library, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is clearly vital in the TMC and beyond.

In 2007, the Library focused more than ever on shifting from print to electronic collections. HAM-TMC Library currently offers access to full text content from approximately 8,000 electronic journals in medicine and related disciplines; access to an increasing collection of innovative and sophisticated databases; and a very large, rapidly growing collection of online books. We added resources that have a direct impact on patients, including evidence-based databases that feature PDA access so residents and physicians can refer to them while on rounds, at the ‘point of care.’ Most of our important collections are being used almost exclusively online.

All this costs a great deal, naturally.

The John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center (McGovern Center), holds noted historical collections on the foundation of medical specialties, on Texas medicine, on rheumatology, and on North American public health. In 1996, the HAM-TMC Library’s Board of Directors established the McGovern Endowment for the support of the department. In 2007-2008, the John P. McGovern Foundation issued a $20,000 challenge grant, the MatchMaker Fund. This fund matches each dollar donated, right up to the $20,000 total. The deadline for making MatchMaker donations is May 31, 2008.

The Library is grateful for the efforts of a dedicated group of advocates who support us with time, talent and fundraising abilities. The Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to encouraging community support of the Houston Academy of Medicine – Texas Medical Center Library. Since its founding in 1958 by Houstonians who value health education and research, the Friends have supported the development and expansion of our collections and services by funding many Library projects.

Some recent examples include:

- Support of Go Local Texas Gulf Coast – a database of local health resources in 38 Texas counties
- Community Outreach Programs to raise health awareness
- Placement of health information kiosks in underserved community locations; the kiosks dispense printable electronic pamphlets on a...
On November 7, 2007, an electronic health kiosk was installed in the Mexican Consulate, offering visitors to the Consulate’s Medical Information Center easy access to health information in Spanish. Two exciting programs planned for 2008 include a Women in Early Texas Medicine exhibit and an exhibit with special programs centered on the National Library of Medicine (NLM), in collaboration with the American Library Association Public Programs Office Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating American Women Physicians. This traveling exhibition is made possible by the NLM and the National Institutes of Health Office of Research on Women’s Health. The American Medical Women’s Association provided additional support.

I am pleased to announce that the Library now provides access to MD CONSULT, a database of clinical information. To access MD CONSULT, go to the Library web site, click on databases and select MD CONSULT.

Finally, I invite all of you to take advantage of the Library’s free classes, PubMed, EndNote and CINAHL to name a few. You can find a complete class schedule at: http://resource.library.tmc.edu/classes/index.cfm

From the Executive Director

Elizabeth K. Eaton, PhD
Executive Director
HAM-TMC Library

Electronic Health Information Kiosk Placed at the Mexican Consulate

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 non-profit 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 713.597.1183.

From left to right: Mr. Edgar Antístenes Vesga Arias (Texas Children’s Hospital); Ms. Nora L. López (Texas Children’s Hospital); Ms. Adela Justice (HAM-TMC Library); Mr. Charles Stauter (eFusion Integrated Solutions Inc.); Consul for Community Affairs Mr. José Vincente Borjon (Consulado General de Mexico en Houston).
Fund Raising (continued from cover)

A wide array of health topics, available in Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish and Vietnamese
• Establishment of the Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service, an in-house collection for consumers, patients and their families.
• Funding of focus groups which gathered vital information from users to aid in planning future library services and space utilization.
• Individuals or groups can “adopt” an electronic journal, book, index or database. Support dollars are also raised through Friends memberships, book tributes and memorial funds. You can contribute in the following ways: fill in the form below, contact Martha Grady at 713.799.7153, or send an e-mail to friends@exch.library.tmc.edu if you would like more information. The enclosed tax-deductible gift in the amount of $________ is to be applied to the fund indicated below:

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Women in Early Texas Medicine

The exhibit Women in Early Texas Medicine features women physician pioneers in the state of Texas. They registered with the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, supplying information on their education as well as a photograph. The earliest exhibited physician’s birthdate is 1852.

The exhibit features early physicians of various ethnicities, as well as a sample Board application. Women in Early Texas Medicine is a companion exhibit to the national traveling exhibit Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America’s Women Physicians. For more information, see the McGovern Historical Collections website:

http://mcgovern.library.tmc.edu

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### HAM-TMC Library Class Schedule January – February 2008

**CINAHL**  
January 8  | 4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.  
February 21 | 12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

**EndNote**  
February 13 | 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

**Evidence-based Medicine Resources**  
January 30 | 4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

**Library Research Office Assistants**  
January 16 | 4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

**Navigating Full-Text Journals**  
January 17 | 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

**PubMed**  
January 22 | 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.  
February 19 | 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.  
February 27 | 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

**PubMed Advanced**  
January 23 | 4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.  
February 26 | 12:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

All classes are free. For a brief description of the classes and to register go to [http://resource.library.tmc.edu/classes/index.cfm](http://resource.library.tmc.edu/classes/index.cfm)

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**Library to Host the exhibit Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America’s Women Physicians**

The HAM-TMC Library is one of 61 libraries from across the U.S. selected to host Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America’s Women Physicians, an interactive, multimedia traveling exhibition that honors the lives and achievements of American women in medicine – past and present.

Changing the Face of Medicine features stories from a rich diversity of women physicians around the nation and highlights the broad range of medicine that women have practiced.

The display was developed by the Exhibition Program of the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine (NLM), in collaboration with the American Library Association Public Programs Office. The traveling exhibition is made possible by the NLM and the National Institutes of Health Office of Research on Women’s Health. The American Medical Women’s Association provided additional support.

The exhibit will be available at the Library from April 23 through June 6, 2008. Among the programs planned by the Library there will be an opening reception on April 30, 2008 and a panel discussion on May 6, 2008 both events will be held at 11:30 a.m. More information on those and other programs will be posted in the Library web site in the coming months.