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Announcing New HSL Online Databases

The Health Sciences Library System is pleased to introduce two new services available through HSL Online: **Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews (EBMR)** and **Journals@Ovid** (see pages 3 and 5).

Evidence-based medicine is a growing international trend in the medical field. The concept emphasizes clinical decision-making for individual patients based on both clinical expertise and the current, best available evidence contained in the primary medical literature. The Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews (EBMR) database provides clinicians, researchers and students with the tools to access the appropriate medical literature for clinical decision-making. The database allows users to identify and apply important changes in medical knowledge, without having to read and synthesize for themselves hundreds of journal articles.

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Dedication of Falk Library Expansion

A formal dedication of the newly expanded Maurice and Laura Falk Library of the Health Sciences is scheduled for Wednesday, December 9, 1998. The expanded space, located on the second floor of Scaife Hall, includes a new entrance to the library, a relocated circulation desk, study-reading areas and meeting rooms. The Maurice Falk Medical Fund provided a grant of \$125,000 toward the renovation, which has added 6,000 square feet of space to the first floor of the Falk Library. The space was formerly occupied by a food service facility.

Over the years, the Falk family foundations have given generously to support construction of library facilities and maintenance of the History of Medicine Collection. Their initial gift in 1949 led to the creation of the Falk Library, which merged a number of separate health sciences library collections at the University of Pittsburgh. Patricia Mickelson, Director of the Health Sciences Library System, notes "Our dedication ceremony celebrates the Falk family's 50-year history of generosity in supporting the mission of the library and recognizes their major contribution to the scholarly environment and intellectual resources of the health sciences."

At the new entrance, library users are greeted by warm cherry woodwork, a motif that is carried throughout the renovated space and furnishings. The study-reading area includes tables, chairs and individual carrels, and provides seating for 92 people. The expanded space also includes a conference room and two staff rooms to be used for library-related meetings and groups.

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Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews (EBMR) provides content from two premiere evidence-based medicine sources: 1) the *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews*, and 2) *Best Evidence*. The Cochrane Collaboration's *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews* contains systematic reviews of important healthcare interventions. Authors in the Cochrane Collaboration survey hundreds of studies on a topic, select those that meet strict evidence-based medicine criteria, conduct meta-analyses on those studies, and then produce a detailed and structured review of the subject and the findings. The second source in EBMR is *Best Evidence*, a database that contains the ACP Journal Club (a publication of the American College of Physicians-American Society of Internal Medicine), and Evidence-Based Medicine (a joint publication of the ACP and British Medical Journal Group). The editors of *Best Evidence* screen the top clinical journals to identify studies that are both methodologically sound and clinically relevant. Enhanced abstracts of the selected articles are written to provide commentary on the value of the article for clinical practice.

The benefits of searching EBMR are fully realized in combination with the other databases linked through HSL Online, such as MEDLINE and Journals@Ovid, a full text journal collection. The system allows clinicians, from their desktops, to locate the best articles in MEDLINE, view the evidence-based medicine reviews on the subject, and then study the evidence in the original article. Specific features include:

- "EBM limit" in MEDLINE, allowing users to restrict search results to articles which meet evidence-based criteria
- Links from MEDLINE to Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews
- Links from Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews to HSL Online's collection of full text journals, Journals@Ovid
- Expert topic searches, allowing users to recreate the searches designed by the Cochrane Collaboration in order to review the latest MEDLINE information on a topic.

Currently Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews is available only through the HSL Online Web Gateway, and it is expected to be available through the Ovid Java Client in early 1999. **A reminder: in the near future *only* the Web-based versions of HSL Online will be supported with new enhancements. The Windows and Telnet versions of HSL Online will no longer be supported with software updates. Library users are urged to take advantage of the additional features which will be provided exclusively in the Web-based environment.**

For more information about Evidence-Based Medicine Reviews ask at the Falk Library (648-8796) or WPIC Library Reference desk (624-1919), send email to medlibq+@pitt.edu, or consult the HSLs Web Page at <<http://www.hsls.pitt.edu>>.

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Dr. Starzl Most Cited Author

Dr. Thomas Starzl, renowned University of Pittsburgh transplant surgeon and researcher, was the most cited scientist in clinical medicine for the period 1981-June 1998. The Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) recently surveyed all articles indexed in the Current Contents/Clinical Medicine database for that period, and the tallies show that Dr. Starzl's research was cited 26,456 times. ISI is the publisher of Current Contents, the Science Citation Index and other databases of scholarly research information in the sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities.

Full Text Journals Available Through Journals@Ovid

Full text access to the following 108 journals will be available at your desktop through Journals@Ovid. In addition, more than 80 full text journals are also available through the Core Biomedical Collections, listed at <http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/electres/fulltext.html>. Please see the full story on page 5.

Allergy

American Journal of Clinical Oncology
American Heart Journal
American Journal of Dermatopathology
American Journal of Medical Science
American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
American Journal of Surgical Pathology
Annals of Emergency Medicine
Annals of Neurology
Annals of Surgery
APMIS
Arthritis and Rheumatism
Artificial Organs
Australian and New Zealand Journal of Surgery
British Journal of Clinical Pharmacology
British Journal of Dermatology
British Journal of Urology
Cancer Detection and Prevention
Clinical and Experimental Allergy
Clinical and Experimental Dermatology
Clinical and Experimental Immunology
Clinical and Experimental Pharmacology & Physiology
Clinical and Laboratory Haematology
Clinical Endocrinology
Clinical Genetics
Clinical Journal of Pain
Clinical Molecular Pathology (companion to J Clinical Pathology)
Clinical Nuclear Medicine
Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology
Clinical Oral Implants Research
Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research
Clinical Otolaryngology and Allied Sciences
Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics
Clinical Radiology
Clinical Transplantation
Diagnostic Molecular Pathology
Diseases of the Colon and Rectum
Immunological Reviews
Immunology
Immunology and Cell Biology
Journal of AIDS
Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology
Journal of Bone and Mineral Research
Journal of Cardiovascular Pharmacology
Journal of Cerebral Blood Flow and Metabolism
Journal of Cell Biology
Journal of Clinical Gastroenterology
Journal of Clinical Immunology
Journal of Clinical Neurophysiology
Journal of Clinical Periodontology
Journal of Clinical Pharmacology
Journal of Clinical Pharmacy and Therapeutics
Journal of Computer Assisted Tomography
Journal of Experimental Medicine
Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Journal of Hepatology

Journal of Human Nutrition and Dietetics
Journal of Laboratory and Clinical Medicine
Journal of Neurochemistry
Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
Journal of Orthopaedic & Sports Physical Therapy
Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma
Journal of Periodontal Research
Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery
Journal of Vascular Surgery
Kidney International
Laboratory Investigation
Laryngoscope
Liver
Medical Care
Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise
Neurology
Neurosurgery
Oral Surg, Oral Med, Oral Pathology, Oral Radiology & Endodontics
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
Proceedings of the Society for Experimental Biology & Medicine
Spine
Transplantation
Tropical Medicine and International Health
Xenotransplantation

Nursing

AACN Clinical Issues
American Journal of Nursing
AWHONN Lifelines
Cancer Nursing
Clinical Nurse Specialist
Computers in Nursing
Gastroenterology Nursing
Geriatric Nursing
International Journal of Nursing Practice
JOGNN
Journal of Nursing Administration
Journal of Nursing Management
Journal of Nursing Staff Development
MCN, The American Journal of Maternal/Child Nursing
Nurse Educator
Nursing Case Management
Nursing Research
Outcomes Management for Nursing Practice
Public Health Nursing

Psychiatry

Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica
Behavior Genetics
Behavioral Medicine
Child Care: Health and Development
Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders
Journal of Behavioral Medicine
Journal of Intellectual Disability Research
Journal of Nervous & Mental Disease
Journal of the American Geriatrics Society

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Publishing

Nancy H. Tannery, Assistant Director for Information Services, and **Charles B. Wessel**, Coordinator of Affiliated Hospital Services published "Academic medical center libraries on the Web," *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* 86(4):541-44, October 1998.

Staff News

Nelson R. Galloway has been promoted to Library Technician. His new responsibilities include coordinating the WPIC Computer Lab, in addition to managing the Benedum Audiovisual Center and administrative duties.

Amy L. Gregg, MLS, rejoins the Health Sciences Library System as a Reference Librarian. Amy has worked in the Falk Library, Pitt's Bevier Engineering Library and most recently at the C.R. Joyner Health Sciences Library at Allegheny General Hospital. She earned her BA in Communications Science and MLS from the University of Pittsburgh.

Newly appointed HSLs Reference Librarian **Linda Hartman**, MLS, previously worked in Pitt's University Library System. She also served as Assistant Librarian for a recent Semester At Sea voyage. Linda is a graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University with a BS in Chemistry, and received her MLS from the University of Pittsburgh.

Patricia Mickelson, HSLs Director, began a one-year term as President of the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) in November 1998. AAHSL is an organization of the directors of medical school libraries of 142 U.S. and Canadian medical schools belonging to the Association of American Medical Colleges. AAHSL's goals are to promote excellence in academic health sciences libraries, and to ensure that the next generation of health practitioners is trained in information-seeking skills that enhance the quality of health care delivery.

John Nguyen, who has worked as a student assistant in the Microcomputer & Media Center since 1995, was promoted to MMC Specialist. John recently received a BS in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh.

Ivory Smith is the new Library Specialist II in charge of photocopy services for the Falk Library. He has worked in a variety of library settings, most recently in the Robert W. Woodruff Library, in the Atlanta University Center. Ivory has degrees from Grambling State University in Grambling, LA and Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, NC.

Nancy H. Tannery, MLS, has been promoted to HSLs Assistant Director for Information Services. Her oversight responsibilities include the HSLs instructional programs, reference services and services to the schools of the health sciences. In addition Nancy is coordinator of the Health Sciences Library and Informatics Traineeship, and will oversee public service and educational programs of the MMC. Nancy has been a Reference Librarian and Interim Head of Reference in the HSLs. She earned a BS in Medical Technology from Pennsylvania State University, and her MLS is from the University of Pittsburgh.

Crysta Weiland is the new Library Specialist II in charge of photocopy services for the WPIC Library. Crysta is also a part-time student, expecting to receive both her BS in Psychology and BA in Anthropology from Pitt in December.

Charles B. Wessel, MLS, has been appointed to the position of Coordinator of Affiliated Hospital Services in HSLs. Charlie will provide leadership in the development, implementation and administration of HSLs outreach services. He has been a Reference Librarian at Falk since 1986, prior to which he served as Medical Librarian at the Medical Center in Beaver, PA. Charlie received his BA and MLS degrees from Pitt.

Paul Worona, MLS, formerly Head of the HSLs Microcomputer & Media Center, has been named Assistant Director for Systems. His oversight responsibilities include planning, implementation and management of HSLs information systems and services.

As the new Supervisor for the Microcomputer & Media Center, **Frances Yarger** is responsible for the daily operations of the facility. Fran previously held a similar position in the Instructional Computing Facility at California University of PA, where she earned her BS in Education and MA in Communications, with emphasis in Electronic Media.

Farewell and best wishes to departing HSLs staff members: **Eric Chismar**, MMC Systems Analyst; **Annette Kemerer** and **Maureen Perelman**, Photocopy Services; **Jon Wichmann**, Circulation Dept.; and **Diane Wilson**, MMC Supervisor.

Journals@Ovid: More Full Text

The total number of full text journals available at your desktop through HSL Online will soon increase to nearly 200 titles. The Health Sciences Library System is providing library users with another valuable information tool:

Journals@Ovid. This new service will provide access to 108 full text journals, and will greatly enhance the Full Text Core Biomedical Collections, Mental Health and Nursing files, which already deliver more than 80 full text journals to users' desktops. Journals@Ovid combines all the capabilities of the Full Text Core Biomedical Collections, with several new features. Benefits for searchers include:

- Seamless linking: Each Journals@Ovid title is linked to other Journals@Ovid titles, and also to HSL Online databases, such as MEDLINE, PsycINFO and CINAHL. The hypertext feature allows users to display an outline of the document and move immediately to a selected section. In addition, searchers can link directly from the references in an article to other full text articles.
- Easy browsing: Allows searchers to browse through journals by title.
- Enhanced Searching: Every word of every article in Journals@Ovid is searchable, including references and captions for graphics.
- Comprehensive Coverage: Classified advertisements and announcements from the print journals are included.

Eventually, the Full Text Core Biomedical Collections will be incorporated within Journals@Ovid. Currently, Journals@Ovid includes issues from 1996 forward. A complete list of the Journals@Ovid titles can be found on page 3.

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Displayed throughout the renovated area are paintings donated by the artist, Dr. Ralph M. Kniseley, who received his MD from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in 1943. After completing a residency at the Mayo Clinic, he pursued a medical career as a clinician, educator and administrator. He was instrumental in developing the specialty of Nuclear Medicine at the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, where he served as chief of research and training. Dr. Kniseley served as Director of the Life Sciences Division of the International Atomic Energy Association in Vienna. He has authored three books on nuclear medicine, and is a recipient of the Georg de Hevesy Pioneer in Nuclear Medicine award and several other medals from professional societies. A lifelong painter and sculptor, Dr. Kniseley has exhibited his works in both one-man and juried shows.

Partners in Information Access Contract

HSL has been awarded an 18-month contract by the Middle Atlantic Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine to provide education and information services to public health professionals in Pennsylvania. This is part of the Partners in Information Access project, a joint initiative of the National Library of Medicine (NLM), the NLM's National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Health Resources and Services Administration, the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, and the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

The goals of Partners in Information Access are to (1) increase public health professionals awareness of the services of the NLM, NN/LM, and CDC; (2) assist public health professionals in getting connected to the Internet; (3) train them in using information technology and information services; and (4) to increase awareness of public health information needs and resources among NN/LM members.

The University of Pittsburgh contract will focus on key staff members of the Pennsylvania Department of Health and county/municipal health departments, the Allegheny County Department of Health, interested members of primary public health associations in Pennsylvania, including the Pennsylvania Public Health Association, and the Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners, and enrolled students and public health professionals receiving continuing education in the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health. Activities will include hands-on training classes and specialized exhibits and presentations.

HSL staff members who will participate in this initiative include Patricia Mickelson, HSL Director (Principal Investigator); Barbara Epstein, Associate Director for Administrative Services

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New Videos at WPIC Library

A selection of new mental health videotapes is available in the Benedum Audiovisual Center, located in the WPIC Library. For additional information about the video collection, see: <http://www.hsls.pitt.edu/library/video.html> or call 624-1920.

Anger, Rage and You, 23 mins., 1996
Anger, Violence & You: Taking Control, 42 mins., 1994
Cool to be Me: Self-Esteem, 24 mins., 1997
Cross-Cultural Therapeutic Alliance, The: The African-American Client, 41 mins., 1994
Heroin, 20 mins., 1997
I'd Rather be Home, [elder abuse], 30 mins., 1997
I'm All That: Building Self-Esteem, 32 mins., 1997
Increase the Peace: Conflict Resolution, 32 mins., 1994
Inner Views of Grief: The Stories of Five Bereaved Young People, 30 mins., 1995
Just Chill! Dealing with Anger, 34 mins., 1995
Listening to Sex Offenders: Parts 1 & 2, 32 mins., 1997-98
Play Therapy for Severe Psychological Trauma, 36 mins., 1998
Real People: Violence in the Family, 33 mins., 1997
Stampede of Zebras, 40 mins., 1996
Truth About Marijuana, 20 mins., 1996
Unseen Power, The: Peer Pressure, 23 mins., 1996

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(Co-Principal Investigator and Project Manager); Charles B. Wessel, Coordinator of Affiliated Hospital Services, and Amy Gregg, Reference Librarian. This contract is one of thirteen awarded nationally. A complete list may be found on the World Wide Web site at:
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/news/press_releases/pubhthpr.html>.

MMC Extends Hours

The Microcomputer & Media Center (MMC) is now open at 8:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. MMC hours are:

Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.-11:45 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m.- 9:45 p.m.
Saturday	9:30 a.m.- 5:45 p.m.
Sunday	Noon -11:45 p.m.

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