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### LIBRARY HOURS

Mon.-Fri. 7:30 am - 11:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am - 11:00 pm  
Sunday noon - 11:00 pm

### TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Information 974-2243  
Circulation 974-2243  
Course Registration 974-2990  
Education 974-2990  
Interlibrary Loan 974-2123  
MedNet Network 974-2289  
Reference 974-2288  
Resources 974-2157  
Serials 974-9080

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## Step Right Up! It's The Library Roadshow!

So, you haven't been to the library recently? Maybe not in months? Maybe not this year? Don't have the time? Don't know what we have to offer? Without a doubt, you don't know what you are missing. Maybe that's part of the problem... there's so much that it's overwhelming and you don't know where to start. If you are not coming to the library, the library will be coming to you.

The Shimberg Health Sciences Library reference department has developed an outreach program called the Roadshow. It is designed to increase the faculty and students' awareness of the library's resources that are specific to the curriculum and research needs of the Colleges of Nursing, Public Health, and the School of Physical Therapy. The College of Medicine has already integrated the library and its resources into its orientation program, the Profession of Medicine, so the goal of the Roadshow is to connect with the rest of the Health Sciences programs.

The Roadshow consists of informational and instructional posters, brochures, guides, bibliographies, and freebies such as bookmarks, pens, pencils, and of course, chocolate! Oh, and librarians, too. For each Roadshow outing, the posters and educational materials are individually developed to address the needs of the specific target audience that we are visiting. We also provide information on remote access and computer accounts.

We set up in high traffic locations with a table, poster boards, and handouts and spend the day demonstrating databases and answering questions. By going on the road and visiting the colleges we have been able to meet with students and faculty that we have not seen in the library. (And you thought we wouldn't miss you!)

For the students, the Roadshow allows them to meet us, ask questions, learn to use the databases they will need to complete their particular program and, in short, find out what they have been missing. For the faculty, we demonstrate how the library, its resources and librarians, can provide academic support for their curriculum. Enhancing the students' potential for success in their program creates a positive connection that begins with information, leads to knowledge, and matures when they graduate and begin to apply what they have learned out there in the real world.

The Roadshow has already visited the Sarasota and Tampa campuses of the College of Nursing and is preparing materials for their next destinations at the College of Public Health and the School of Physical Therapy. Look for us as we are planning return visits to these and other locations in the coming year.

Don't forget to pick up your Luis bookmark at the Circulation dept. or Reference desk! This is the 8th in the collectible series!

### New Databases Available!

See the “Point of Care Resources” article in this issue for complete information on content and access of our three new databases.

**FIRSTConsult** is a new, evidence-based, primary care clinical information resource. It provides specialized diagnostic tools and continuously updated information on the latest in evaluation and diagnosis, management options, patient outcomes and prevention at the point and time of a clinical encounter.

**FIRSTConsult** is not a database of articles and guidelines, but completely original clinical information. It is organized to give you instant access to the precise knowledge required to support your clinical judgment and reflect the unique nature of each patient encounter.

**FIRSTConsult** includes several references including:  
The Cochrane Databases  
Clinical Evidence  
National Guidelines Clearinghouse  
MD Consult

**FIRSTConsult** is available from any computer with Internet Access. If you are off campus, go to the library website <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/library> click on the green button “Enter here if connecting from outside HSC campus” and login with your HSC e-mail username and password.

**UpToDate** is another clinical information resource that provides concise, practical answers for the practitioner at the point of care. Topic Reviews go through an extensive peer review process to ensure that the information and recommendations are accurate and reliable.

**UpToDate** allows users to:

- Access current information within their specialty.
- Recognize the clinical manifestations of a wide variety of disorders and describe current options for diagnosis, management and therapy, including the efficacy, doses, and interactions of individual drugs.
- Identify optimal screening and prevention strategies.

**UpToDate** can be accessed at a stand-alone computer station on the main floor of the Shimberg Health Sciences Library. It’s right next to the reference librarian’s desk. If you need some help, just ask the librarian.

For those of you who are ‘out there’ in the clinical environment, **UpToDate** is also available (for their staff members) at the James A. Haley Veteran’s Hospital, Moffitt Cancer Center, and Tampa General Hospital.

Try them out and let us know what you think!

## BEHIND THE SCENES... WITH TINY ELVIS\*

\*former library assistant



### Serials:

**Label me, baby!** You may have noticed that the shelves in the journals stacks on the second floor are sporting many, many labels in a bright greenish-yellow color just screaming for your attention! Well, they are. Or, at least, we are! We’re just letting you know which titles are available online. We still get some of the titles in print, but many are now available online only.

**ANYAS Online, yes!** It’s true, we now have online access to The Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences. We’re connected by IP addresses so there are no nasty IDs or passwords to worry about. Remember, when you connect from off-campus you’ll need to come in via proxy. As always, start from our homepage: <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/library/>

**PubMed Reminder!** For all of our returning patrons (and for the benefit of all of our new ones), we’d like to remind you to always connect to PubMed from our homepage. This way, you’ll be able to click on our lovely personalized (USF HS) green and gold buttons to connect directly to the full-text journal articles that we own. You can also connect by bookmarking our PubMed URL for direct access: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?holding=usfhslb>

We’d like to welcome all of our new students, faculty and staff and welcome back our returning members!

“Thank you, thank you very much.” - E.

### Ethnic Health Websites\*

The National Library of Medicine, NLM (part of the NIH), has created a new website to address the health concerns of the 4 million Americans who claim American Indian or Alaska Native ancestry. Research shows that Native Americans are 2.6 times more likely to have diabetes as non-Hispanic whites of a similar age. They also have a greater mortality risk for tuberculosis, suicide, pneumonia, alcoholism, and influenza than the average population.

The site brings together pertinent health and medical resources, research results, consumer health information, traditional healing resources and other web sites. Find it at “American Indian Health” <http://americanindianhealth.nlm.nih.gov/>

The NLM has developed other specialized sites to address the health needs of special populations. Asian Americans, those living in the Arctic and far North, senior citizens, and Spanish-speaking Americans can find important health care information at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/databases>

\*Text taken from an NLM email update

## Website for Emergency Service Workers

The National Library of Medicine's Division of Specialized Medical Services has released a PDA (Personal Digital Assistant) system designed to assist first responders during hazardous material incidents. The website, called WISER (Wireless Information System for Emergency Responders), features a wide range of information on hazardous substances, including substance identification support, physical characteristics, human health information, and containment and suppression advice.

Located at: <http://wiser.nlm.nih.gov/> WISER offers a tutorial of its site. The program is available for free download and provides stand alone information on 390 substances and performs substance identification. It also offer technical support for installation and use. The operational version of WISER for Palm OS is now available for download!

## What the Heck is SFX?

As you perform your journal searches in our online catalog, WebLUIIS, you may begin to notice more of the links to our online journals have a link that connects you to a page with "SFX" in the top heading. Below that will be a list of the various locations where you may access a journal issue or particular article. The online location(s) are listed first and also indicate which holdings we own in full text format for that particular journal. This is followed by a link to search the USF catalogs and, just in case you don't find the title you're looking for at USF, in print or online, you may search libraries in the State University System and even libraries worldwide through WorldCat. You will also see a link to publishing information, to determine if the journal is refereed.

The idea behind SFX is the centralization of online access information regarding electronic journals and other pertinent information about them. Now, instead of seeing anywhere from 1 to 4 separate links to full text online access of a journal record in WebLUIIS, you will see only one link for all available locations. This will decrease the time you spend searching by streamlining the online access information into one screen.

## New! POINT OF CARE Resources

Have you been using UpToDate and InfoPOEMS for Point of Care service? We have added a new product, **FirstConsult**, that has an excellent interface and content. You can find the link on the Library's homepage at <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/library>



FIRSTConsult is a point of care, evidence-based, clinical information tool for primary health care providers that synthesizes findings from journals and other respected references into a templated knowledge base of over 1,500 potential diagnoses sorted by age and prevalence in primary care.

FIRSTConsult can be used on desktop and laptop computers and can also be embedded in other applications and programs. A sub-set of the knowledge base is available via handheld devices. Practicing physicians make up their Editorial Board to ensure that the guidelines and evidence content are accurate and clinically relevant. Content is updated weekly.

### Content Overview

**Differential Diagnoses** – Clinical Benchmarks categorized by age range.

**Medical Conditions** – Patient evaluation, diagnosis and treatment, tests, prevention and more.

Provides: Summary, Background, Diagnosis, Treatment, Outcomes, Prevention, Resources.

55 topic headings with access to over 20,000 disease-specific topics.

**Procedure Files** – Text and video on over 30 surgical and diagnostic procedures commonly performed in the office setting.

Provides: Summary, Indications, Contraindications, Procedure, Outcomes, Resources.

**Reference Centers** – Information on topics NOT disease-specific.

Provides: Summary Information, Diagnosis, Examinations, Complications, Drugs, Education, Resources.

**Patient Education** – Printable topic information in English and Spanish.

If you haven't already used **InfoPOEMs** and **UpToDate**, here's a summary of their content. Links are on the homepage.

### **InfoPOEMs®: The Clinical Awareness System™**

**Patient-Oriented Evidence that Matters™**. POEMs address clinicians' questions, measure outcomes of symptoms, morbidity, quality of life, and mortality, and have the potential to change the way doctors practice.



Available on your handheld, at your desktop, or online. Search results from all POEMs, all Cochrane Systematic Review abstracts, more than 200 decision rules, 2,200 predictive calculators, over 700 summaries of evidence-based practice guidelines, an ICD9 look-up, and more.



Designed to provide concise, practical answers at the point of care. Topic Reviews are written exclusively for *UpToDate* by physicians for physicians - nearly 3,000 physicians serve as authors. Content is concise, comprehensive, fully referenced, accurate, and reliable. Category 1 CME credit is available with automatic time tracking.

*UpToDate* offers comprehensive information in 15 specialties. Recognize the clinical manifestations of a wide variety of disorders and describe current options for diagnosis, management and therapy, and efficacy, doses, and interactions of individual drugs.

## (P)URLS... FOR YOUR PERUSING PLEASURE

To jumpstart the academic year...

### Public Health Image Library

<http://phil.cdc.gov/phil/default.asp>

An organized, universal electronic gateway to the Centers for Disease Control's pictures.

### CDC Health-Related Hoaxes & Rumors

[http://www.cdc.gov/hoax\\_rumors.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/hoax_rumors.htm)

The Centers for Disease Control give you the latest updates on whether any of those possible health-related hoaxes and rumors you've been hearing are true.

### Information Rx

<http://nnlm.gov/hip/infoRx/>

Information Rx program educates and assists physicians in prescribing health information to their patients through Medline Plus.

### Prostate Cancer Control Initiatives

<http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/prostate/index.htm>

Public Health perspective on the second leading cause of cancer death in men in the United States.

During this busy time of the year, it's not easy to find time to read any of the classics. But help is here in the form of:

### Book-A-Minute Classics

<http://www.rinkworks.com/bookaminute/classics.shtml>

Bet you'd never think that War and Peace could be condensed to just 26 words, did you? Guess again! Here's your chance to catch up on the classics in their "ultracondensed" form.

## ASM Online Journals Now Available!

The Shimberg Health Sciences Library purchased online full-text access to the journals of the American Society of Microbiology. There are 11 titles in the collection. They are:

Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy  
Applied and Environmental Microbiology  
Clinical and Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology  
Clinical Microbiology Reviews  
Eukaryotic Cell  
Infection and Immunity  
Journal of Bacteriology  
Journal of Clinical Microbiology  
Journal of Virology  
Microbiology and Molecular Biology Reviews  
Molecular and Cellular Biology

Access is by IP address and all articles are available in PDF and HTML formats. The collection also includes a Minireview Collection of all Journals. These reviews are for all articles published in the previous 12 months.



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"What happens in The CLUE stays in The CLUE." (heh, heh, heh) Don't forget to pick up your free Luis bookmark (8th in the collectible series)! Comments, questions?  
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