

Info-Rx: Newsletter of the Health Sciences Libraries

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Your prescription for quality health information

From the Editor

In the final issue of *Info-Rx* before the summer break we highlight the services now being offered by the University of Manitoba's health libraries to the staff of Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL). We'll introduce you to the new librarians who will be serving the MHHL and the Misericordia Health Centre Library, and tell you about the Head of the Health Sciences Libraries' award.



In recognition of the 100th anniversary of Children's Hospital, we look at a number of resources for pediatric and child health. There are a number of 'non-health' databases in which you can find literature pertaining to child health. We also provide you with a select list of child health e-book resources.

Health care professionals can point their patients in the direction of a free Internet version of the *UpToDate* database for authoritative child health information. The database can be easily accessed through Google.

There have been some recent updates to *RefWorks* that we want to tell you about, as well as information pertaining to free access to the Cochrane systematic reviews database. We'll also introduce you to the online resource *Current Protocols*, which contains more than a thousand protocols in the areas of cell and molecular biology.

Don't forget that the health librarians will be around this summer to assist you with any special projects you will be working on.

Have a wonderful summer.

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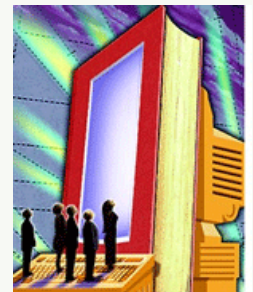
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About the Health Sciences Libraries

The [Health Sciences Libraries](#) support the teaching, research, and patient care activities of the staff and students of the Faculties of Dentistry, Medicine, and Pharmacy and the Schools of Dental Hygiene and Medical Rehabilitation.

Working with the [Winnipeg Regional Health Authority](#), the University of Manitoba provides library services to Winnipeg's nine hospitals. The Health Sciences Libraries now include the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library (Health Sciences Centre), and the hospital libraries of Concordia, Deer Lodge, Grace, Misericordia, Riverview, Seven Oaks, St. Boniface, and Victoria.

The Health Sciences Libraries also serve Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) and Manitoba's Rural Health Authorities.

The Health Sciences Libraries offer a wide range of [services](#), including document delivery, literature searches, and training sessions, and provide access to an extensive collection of monographs, journals, videos, and health databases.

Publication Information

Info-Rx is the electronic newsletter of the University of Manitoba Health Sciences Libraries. Its purpose is to inform our primary audience of services or resources that will help them to access quality health information. *Info-Rx* is published six times a year. Comments, questions, or letters to the editor should be addressed to:

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Ada Ducas honoured by Doctors Manitoba

Posted Friday, May 15, 2009 9:15 AM

Doctors Manitoba presented its Health Administration Award to the Head of the Health Sciences Libraries

Ada Ducas was presented with the Health Administration Award at the 2009 [Doctors Manitoba](#) Awards Dinner and Installation Ceremony. Ms. Ducas was honoured for her leadership in the field of health sciences librarianship in Canada. In 2008 she received the Margaret Ridley Charlton Award for Outstanding Achievement from the Canadian Health Sciences Libraries Association.



Since 1995 Ms. Ducas has been Head of the Health Sciences Libraries at the University of Manitoba. She manages the human, financial, administrative and space resources of the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library as well as eight hospital libraries. This is to support the teaching, research and patient care requirements of staff and students in the Faculties of Dentistry, Medicine and Pharmacy at teaching sites throughout the province.

With an extensive background in hospital administration and university library information infrastructure, Ms. Ducas holds the rank of Librarian in the libraries and Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine. She has been instrumental in making knowledge-based information accessible to health care professionals throughout Manitoba, including those without library access. She also played a leading role in establishing a unique collection of Aboriginal health resource materials, valued by health professionals, researchers and students across Canada. More recently she worked with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority to transfer management of all the city's hospital libraries.

Ms. Ducas is a graduate of McGill University School of Library Science and the Canadian Hospital Association program in Health Services Management. As an important contributor to health information management, she is an excellent candidate for this award.

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Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL)

Carol Friesen started working in a contract position as the acting Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) Outreach Librarian with the University of Manitoba's Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library on April 14, 2009. This is a new position for both the NJM Health Sciences Library and MHHL.

Carol will be conducting literature searches, providing training on library services and finding evidence-based information, and assisting with research and reference services at both organizations.

After receiving degrees in political science (BA, University of Winnipeg and MA, York University) and working in various administrative positions (several with the federal government), Carol completed a Master's in Library and Information Studies (MLIS) at the University of Alberta. After graduating in 2004 she worked as Research Librarian with the Alberta Research Centre for Child Health Evidence in Edmonton, where she conducted comprehensive literature searches for systematic reviews and evidence reports, provided training on searching, and conducted a case study on the effectiveness of searching for grey literature (which she presented as a poster at the 2005 Cochrane Colloquium in Melbourne, Australia). Carol returned to Manitoba and in 2008 took a contract position as reference librarian with the NJM Health Sciences Library.

Carol looks forward to meeting MHHL staff and working with them in her new role as Outreach Librarian. She can be contacted at:

Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library (M/W/F): 480-1391, carol_friesen@umanitoba.ca

Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (at 300 Carlton Street, Tu/Thu): 788-6477, carol.friesen@gov.mb.ca

Submitted by Carol Friesen, Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) Outreach Librarian

Misericordia Health Centre Librarian



Lesley Mackie was recently hired for the newly created full-time position of Misericordia Health Centre Librarian.

Lesley graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Zoology. She became Senior Elephant Trainer at the Indianapolis Zoo in Indianapolis, Indiana. Lesley received a Master of Library Science from Indiana University and worked as Public Services Librarian for Indiana University/Purdue University.

In her current position with the University of Manitoba Health Sciences Libraries, Lesley's main focus is collection management and the provision of reference, training, and literature search services for Misericordia Health Centre staff.

Submitted by Lesley Mackie, Misericordia Health Centre Librarian

Library Cards for Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) Staff

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Eligible Manitoba Health and Health Living (MHHL) clients are entitled to a free library card from the NJM Library

Eligible Manitoba Health and Health Living (MHHL) clients are entitled to a free library card from the Neil John Maclean (NJM) Health Sciences Library.



A library card enables clients to borrow library materials, make requests for copies of articles, which will be delivered to them, and to use other library services (see Library Services for MHHL Staff in this issue). You only need to register once. To apply for a card, follow these steps:

- Download a copy of the [library card registration form](#)
- Complete only the first page
- Attach a copy of your staff identification card or proof of employment letter
- Fax the application and attachments to ATTN: MHHL Library Services at 204-789-3923.

Library cards will be issued and mailed to eligible MHHL clients. These cards are valid for one year and must be renewed annually. MHHL clients are responsible for contacting the NJM Library to update their record should any changes occur (address, phone number, etc).

Alternatively, MHHL clients can visit in person any [hospital library](#) in Winnipeg in order to obtain a library card.

MHHL clients are bound by the University of Manitoba Libraries policy on [Fines and Suspension of Borrowing Privileges](#).

Questions? Contact our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

You can also contact Carol Friesen, the MHHL Outreach Librarian at:

- Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library (M/W/F): 480-1391, carol.friesen@umanitoba.ca
- Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (at 300 Carlton Street, Tu/Thu): 788-6477, carol.friesen@gov.mb.ca

Submitted by Carol Friesen, MHHL Outreach Librarian, and the NJM Outreach Library Services team.

Library Services for MHHL Staff

Posted Friday, May 15, 2009 8:30 AM

Library services are now provided to Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) staff

Library services are now provided to Manitoba Health and Healthy Living (MHHL) staff through a partnership between the MHHL and the University of Manitoba's Neil John Maclean Health Science Library (NJM Library). This is an exciting new phase of library service delivery for both organizations.



MHHL staff can obtain quality information for patient care, evidence-based practice, health promotion, program planning and evaluation, continuing education, and staff development.

The following services are available to eligible MHHL clients who have registered for and received their free library card from the NJM library.

1. Literature Searches

Carol Friesen (MHHL Outreach Librarian) can conduct literature searches for quality, evidence-based information on any health topic using a wide variety of databases and catalogues that are available through the University of Manitoba Libraries.

A list of book titles, journal article abstracts, and other materials, matching your request, is compiled into a Word document and sent to MHHL clients through e-mail or fax.

MHHL clients can then select from the list which materials they would like to have the full-text for, and place an order for these with the NJM Library by email, phone or fax. Books and other library materials are delivered to MHHL clients through the mail, and full-text journal articles are mailed, faxed (or emailed if possible).

To request a literature search simply complete the form [Literature Search \(MHHL\)](#) or contact our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

2. Borrow library materials using BISON catalogue

Eligible MHHL clients are entitled to borrow health sciences materials (books, videos, etc.) as well as materials from the wider collections of the University of Manitoba Libraries. A listing of all the materials held by the libraries can be found in the University of Manitoba's library catalogue - [BISON](#).

Materials are delivered to MHHL clients through the mail. Instructions on how to return the materials will be enclosed.

Please note that loan periods for materials will vary depending on which library the materials are borrowed from. A notice will accompany your materials indicating the due date.

If you need help with how to search the [BISON](#) catalogue or working with your search results, you can use the HELP pages available in the catalogue or contact our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

3. Request materials from other libraries

For eligible MHHL clients who are looking for a book, journal, or other material that is not available in our library catalogue, the UM Health Sciences Libraries can make loan requests from external libraries. The Libraries' Document Delivery department will do its best to obtain items from other libraries or suppliers throughout North America and the world. Materials requested by MHHL clients will be mailed to them.

To make a request, you have three options:

Option 1: [Contact us](#) by email, fax or phone with your requests.

Option 2: Complete this form: [MHHL request books, videos, and journals form](#) and send us the information.

Option 3. If you are a frequent user of [PubMed](#), you can use Loansome Doc to make article requests quickly and easily. To sign up for Loansome Doc, please contact our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

4. Table of Contents

The electronic table of contents (eTOCs) service for journals provides health professionals with an easy way to stay current in their field of interest. This is how it works:

- [Contact us](#) today to register for the eTOCs service or use the [Electronic Table of Contents Service form](#)
- Tell us what journal title(s) or health topic(s) you are interested in receiving
- NJM Library will set up the service for you
- You will receive email delivery of the eTOCs as each one becomes available
- You review the articles in the eTOCs
- You can request articles of interest from the NJM Library using the [MHHL request books, videos, and journals form](#) or our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

5. Copy Service

MHHL clients who need a copy of a book chapter or a journal article are eligible for free copy service. Photocopying is subject to [copyright provisions](#). All library materials will be mailed or faxed to MHHL staff.

Complete the [MHHL Library Materials Copy Service form](#), attach your list of requests, and send it to us by mail, fax or e-mail. For assistance contact our MHHL Library Services staff by email at healthlibrary@umanitoba.ca or call 204-789-3804.

6. House Calls and Training Sessions

Carol Friesen can provide individual or small group “house calls” or teaching sessions on finding health information. These sessions can be delivered to MHHL staff at their office or at departmental meetings.

The sessions are designed to suit MHHL staff’s specific needs and to improve their knowledge of library resources and how to search for and access information. Scheduling is flexible and arranged at MHHL staff’s convenience.

Training sessions for larger groups also available on request. To request a House Call or Training session, please contact Carol Friesen

To make requests for any of the above services, or for more information, please contact Carol Friesen, the MHHL Outreach Librarian, at:

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Submitted by Carol Friesen, MHHL Outreach Librarian, and the NJM Outreach Library Services team.

Diverse Databases for Child Health Information

Posted Friday, May 15, 2009 7:00 AM

Comprehensive, diverse databases for child health - looking beyond the traditional biomedical databases

Many people use the standard biomedical databases to find the best evidence and literature for pediatrics. Databases such as *Scopus*, *PubMed*, *CINAHL*, and the *Cochrane Library* are great resources for Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Medical Rehabilitation and are good places to start looking for quality journal articles and systematic reviews. The UM Libraries provides many more resources to help you develop the best programs for child health.

The next time you need child health information on topics such as anorexia, child development, ADHD, dyslexia, child nutrition, bullying, children with disabilities, or the social determinants that affect child and family health, consider the databases listed under the CSA Illumina and EBSCOhost portals.

The databases offered by these two service providers can be searched at once. Complete details describing the contents of individual databases are available on the UM Libraries' web site in its [E-Library list](#) of over 200 commercial databases.

CSA Illumina Databases

- *Education*
- *ERIC*
- *CSA Linguistics & Language Behavior Abstracts*
- *PILOTS Database (PTSD)*
- *Psychology*
- *PsycINFO*
- *Social Services Abstracts*
- *Sociological Abstracts*
- *Sociology*
- *TOXLINE*

EBSCOhost Databases

- *Academic Search Complete*
- *Academic Search Elite*
- *Child Development & Adolescent Studies*
- *CINAHL*
- *Family & Society Studies Worldwide*
- *Mental Measurements Yearbook*
- *Social Work Abstracts*
- *SPORTDiscus*
- *Teacher Reference Center*
- *Women's Studies International*

There may be additional books, databases and resources specific to your pediatric population, (e.g., immigrant/refugee families, First Nations or Metis children, specific ethnic groups, rural or urban populations).

As always, you can consult a health sciences librarian to help you map out the best search strategy.

Health professionals can also request literature searches on specific research topics. Contact a [health sciences librarian](#). After all, child health is not child's play. We want you to retrieve and use the best evidence available.

Submitted by [Janice Linton](#), Aboriginal Health Librarian, Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library.

RefWorks Enhancements

Posted Monday, May 11, 2009 4:15 PM



RefWorks users will be glad to see these improvements to this valuable online bibliographic software. If you haven't tried RefWorks yet, you can find the [link](#) on the Health Sciences Libraries home page.

General Enhancements

1. Ability to Save Search Strategies in Advanced Search

Users now have the option to save search strategies created in the RefWorks Advanced Search area. Search strategies can be named and saved for easy and continual retrieval. Simply enter a name when creating an advanced search query and after saving, the search strategy is available in the View menu, under Search Strategy Results.

2. File Attachment Searching

File attachments (.pdf, .txt and file names) stored in your RefWorks account can now be included in searching. This option is available in both searches – from the Search RefWorks box and the Advanced Search. PDF files with images only and no text in them are not currently searchable. To include file attachments in your search using the Search RefWorks box, simply click on the check box next to Attachments after you enter your search term. In the Advanced Search, simply select Attachments from the Search Name drop-down as one of the four fields of information to search.

3. Introducing RefMobile

RefMobile is a version of RefWorks for mobile and smart phones, as well as PDAs, that allows you to access and view your references, manage folders and even add information to the Notes field of your references. In addition to being able to access and manage your references, RefMobile has a feature – SmartAdd – that will search the web for references based on a digital object identifier (DOI), PubMed ID (PMID), PubMed Central ID (PMCID), ISSN/ISBN number, by author and publication year, or even part of a title. References located by SmartAdd can be imported into your RefWorks account via RefMobile. Any user can access RefMobile at <http://refworks.scholarsportal.info/mobile/>.

Please note: you must have a group code to access RefMobile. Currently Shibboleth and Athens authentication is not enabled.

4. Ability to Include OpenURL Links in Bibliographies

RefWorks has added a new capability that allows any output style to be configured to include dynamically created OpenURL links in bibliography formatting. This new option is available within the Output Style Editor. You will now find an Add OpenURL Link to Output option listed in the Fields for this Type column. Simply add this field to any defined reference type (like you would with any other field) and when you format a paper, the OpenURL link (based on your Organization's OpenURL definition) is automatically created and inserted with the bibliography.

Miscellaneous Enhancements

1. Output Style Editor Tutorial

Now users can learn how to create their own custom output style by viewing the Output Style Editor tutorial available in the Help, Tutorials area. This tutorial is also helpful to anyone who wants to modify an existing output style.

2. Folder Creation Change

After creating a new folder, you will now be returned to whatever page you were on before the folder was created, as opposed to remaining on the Create New Folder page. This enhancement makes it easier to get back to what you were originally working on prior to creating a folder.

RefShare Enhancements

1. New Option Regarding OpenURL Linking from a Shared Folder or Database

RefShare users now have the option to include OCLC's WorldCat OpenURL Gateway in a shared folder or database. The WorldCat Gateway is an OpenURL resolving Web service that allows your RefShare users direct access to full-text articles and other online resources available from their library if their Organization participates in the WorldCat Registry.

This feature is available for anyone sharing a folder or database, regardless of whether their Organization uses another OpenURL resolver within RefWorks. RefShare users will see a new drop-down on the Shared Folder Options page allowing them to determine whether to include an OpenURL provider, to include the WorldCat OpenURL option, or their Organization (Site) OpenURL, if applicable.

2. File Attachment Searching in a Shared Folder or Database

File attachments made available in a shared folder or database are now able to be included when using the Search RefWorks and Advanced Search options.

3. RefShare Tutorial

Added Navigating a Shared Folder or Database to the RefShare Tutorial.

4. RefShare Area Shared Page

University name now displays in the title for the RefShare Area Page.

5. RefShare Folders with RSS Feeds

RSS Feeds in RefShare are now auto-discoverable.

Submitted by Mark Rabnett, Pharmacy and Pharmacology Librarian, Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library

Cochrane Library

Posted Monday, April 27, 2009 8:14 PM

The Cochrane Library is now available to all Canadians.

The Canadian Cochrane Network and Centre announces today that everyone in Canada with access to the Internet will be able to view the full content of The Cochrane Library, an on-line resource that provides evaluations on health treatments.

The Canadian Cochrane Network and Centre, in partnership with the Canadian Health Libraries Association, has successfully secured a national license to The Cochrane Library. In essence, the license provides a subscription for every Canadian with access to the Internet to benefit from the immense volume of health information found in The Cochrane Library. Everybody will be one click away from the best available evidence on the effectiveness of treatment procedures including which ones may be harmful.

“There are so many opinions and competing interests on the Internet claiming they have the best answers about people’s health care. Having access to The Cochrane Library will allow individuals to learn what the research says about what they need for better health. This is truly ground-breaking,” remarked Dr Jeremy Grimshaw, Director of the Canadian Cochrane Network Centre (CCNC), Senior Scientist at the Ottawa Health Research Institute (the research arm of The Ottawa Hospital) and Professor at the University of Ottawa.

While this new access will help inform health consumers, healthcare providers will also benefit from this pilot project. Healthcare practitioners will save valuable time to research the best patient treatment options through easy access to this wealth of health information. “Health librarians across the country have long recognized and promoted the importance of access to the Cochrane Library as a key resource for evidence-based practice and decision-making,” said Dianne Kharouba, Canadian Health Libraries Association.

To access the best on-line resource on health treatments, please visit:

www.thecochranelibrary.com.

About The Cochrane Library:

The Cochrane Library contains high quality health care information, including Systematic Reviews from The Cochrane Collaboration. These Reviews bring together research on the effects of health care and are considered the gold standard for determining the relative effectiveness of different interventions. The Cochrane Collaboration (<http://www.cochrane.org>) is a UK registered international charity and the world’s leading producer of systematic Reviews. It has been demonstrated that Cochrane Systematic Reviews are of comparable or better quality and are updated more often than the Reviews published in print journals.

Current Protocols

Posted Tuesday, May 12, 2009 1:43 PM

Current Protocols - Exciting New Resource for Researchers

The Libraries now provide access to two modules in the *Current Protocols* collection of laboratory manuals published by Wiley InterScience. Updated quarterly, these resources provide full-text access to thousands of basic and advanced research protocols. Each protocol is written and reviewed by leading scientists in their fields and includes expert commentary and guidelines.

[Current Protocols in Cell Biology](#) is of interest to researchers who study the relationship between specific molecules and genes and their location, function and structure at the cellular level. Scope: cell culture, subcellular fractionation to isolate and study specific organelles, various types of microscopy, labeling, cell adhesion, cell and organelle motility, signal transduction, protein trafficking, macromolecular interactions, cellular aging and death, fluorescent protein technology, and study of chromosomes and nuclei.

[Current Protocols in Molecular Biology](#) is an essential tool for graduate students and faculty engaged in molecular biology research. Basic methods for DNA preparation and isolation, library screening, and sequencing have been joined by more advanced procedures detailing DNA-protein interactions, yeast manipulation, and phosphorylation analyses.

Features of the *Current Protocols* interface:

- Available in HTML or PDF formats.
- Browse the table of contents or search for specific terms.
- Extensive hyperlinking within each document and links to supplier websites.
- Link from bibliographies to PubMed citations and/or UM Links to obtain full text of cited articles.

Other new online journals of interest to basic medical science researchers:

[Molecular & Cellular Proteomics](#) is published by the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, with contributions on the structural and functional properties of proteins and their expression, particularly with respect to the developmental time courses of the organism of which they are a part.

[Stem Cells](#) is co-published by AlphaMed Press and Wiley-Blackwell. Its ISI Journal Citation Reports impact factor for 2007 was a high 7.5. Contributions include original articles and concise reviews describing basic laboratory investigations of stem cells and the translation of their clinical aspects of characterization and manipulation from the bench to patient care.

[Science Signaling](#) is published weekly by the American Association for the Advancement of Science via the HighWire Press platform. It can also be found on the main web page of [Science](#). This online resource and information management tool enables experts and novices in cell signaling to find, organize, and utilize information relevant to processes of cellular regulation.

*Submitted by Michael Tennenhouse, Information Technology Librarian,
Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library*

For Your Patients

Posted Thursday, May 14, 2009 3:14 PM

Patients have access to free health information through the UpToDate database

The *UpToDate* database, an evidence-based peer reviewed health resource, contains patient health information that can be accessed freely by clinicians and the public through Google.

In the Google search box type the word *uptodate* or type in the URL of the web site: www.uptodate.com

Patient information can be accessed from the green tab 'For Patients' on the horizontal menu of the *UpToDate* web site.

The patient leaflets provide a brief overview of a health topic, and include information about causes, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, possible complications, prevention, and advice as to when your patient should seek medical help. References to health literature are provided. These leaflets can be printed for patients or e-mailed to them.

Patient leaflets are marked by the symbol 'Pt' which is contained in a grey circle, and which is located to the left of a health topic. Patients will not be able to access the entire full-text of topics which do not have this symbol. Health professionals, however, can access the full version of the *UpToDate* database through the [Health Sciences Libraries](#).

There are a few ways to search for patient health topics:

1. Hover the mouse over the orange arrow below the search input box until the full menu of topics appears, then click on a topic.

Consult the medical resource doctors trust

Physicians at major academic medical centers worldwide rely on *UpToDate's* complete and current medical information to answer their clinical questions.

Now patients have access to *UpToDate*, to learn more about a medical condition, better understand management and treatment options, and have a better dialogue with health care providers. To get started, just enter a search term below.

Search:

How

- 1 Allergy and asthma
- 2 Arthritis
- 3 Autoimmune disease
- 4 Blood diseases
- 5 Bones joints and muscles
- 6 Brain and nervous system
- 7 Cancer
- 8 Children's health
- 9 Diabetes

Diet and weight	Liver disease
Digestive disease	Lung disease
Endocrine system and hormones	Men's health issues
Eye health	Mental health
General health	Pregnancy
Heart disease	Skin conditions
HIV and AIDS	Sleep medicine
Infections and immunizations	Travel health
Kidney disease	Women's health issues

Real stories from real patients

Ellen's 25 year struggle for a diagnosis ends when she finds information on her unexplained symptoms in *UpToDate*.

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2. Type a key word into the search box.
e.g., croup

The screenshot shows the UpToDate website interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the word 'croup' entered and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, there are navigation links: 'New Search', 'Contents', 'About UpToDate', and 'Subscribe/Renew'. The main content area is titled 'Search Results for "croup"'. It features a list of search results, with the first result, 'Patient information: Croup in infants and children', highlighted. A mouse cursor is pointing at this result. To the right of the search results, there is a 'Topic Outline' section with a list of topics: 'INTRODUCTION', 'CAUSES', 'SYMPTOMS', 'DIAGNOSIS', and 'TREATMENT'. The 'SYMPTOMS' section is expanded, showing sub-topics like 'Contagiousness', 'Severity of croup', 'Mild croup', 'Moderate croup', and 'Severe croup'. The 'TREATMENT' section is also expanded, showing sub-topics like 'Mild croup', 'Emergent care', 'Medications', 'Moderate to severe croup', 'Dexamethasone', and 'Epinephrine'.

Click on the topic heading beside the 'Pt' symbol to retrieve the full-text material. *UpToDate* provides a print link on the top right hand side of each leaflet.

For more information about the *UpToDate* database, call the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library at 789-3464.

Submitted by Patricia Barrett, WRHA and Outreach Librarian, Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library

E-Books in the Library on Pediatrics and Child Health

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E-Books in the Health Sciences Libraries on Pediatrics and Child Health

Did you know that the UM Libraries currently has over 200,000 electronic books in its collection?

Electronic books (or e-books) are becoming increasingly popular due to their accessibility and ease of use. Many e-books contain interactive features such as animated images or multimedia clips, which increase their appeal.

Several of the e-books that are held in the UM Libraries' collection focus on the topic of pediatrics/ child health. The following is a selected list e-books that deal with child health concerns. Simply click on the link to view the full-text item.

Mental Health

- [Children's emotional wellbeing](#)
- [Handbook of mental health services for children, adolescents, and families](#)
- [Preventing & treating childhood depression](#)

Nutrition

- [Eat, play and be healthy : the Harvard Medical School guide to healthy eating for kids](#)
- [Global strategy for infant and young child feeding](#)
- [Nutrition in pediatrics : basic science and clinical application](#)

Physical Activity and Obesity

- [Canada's report card on physical activity for children & youth : its time to unplug our kids](#)
- [Childhood obesity in Canada](#)
- [Physical activity and sport : encouraging children to be active](#)

Textbooks on Pediatrics and Child Health

- [Nelson textbook of pediatrics](#)

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Librarian News

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Librarians are often invited to work on research teams to contribute knowledge, expertise and research skills, such as literature searches for systematic reviews.

Principal Investigator, Roberta Woodgate (UM Faculty of Nursing) was recently awarded a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Emerging Team Grant to carry out research to support children with disabilities and their families: "Unravelling the Disability Trajectory of First Nations Families of Children with Disabilities: Advancing Jordan's Principle."

Janice Linton, Aboriginal Health Librarian, is one of the co-investigators, along with Brenda Elias, Joannie Halas, Donna E. Martin, Michael Moffatt, Gina Rempel, Jacqueline D. Ripat, and partner-collaborator, Ron W. Evans, Grand Chief of the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs.

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Librarians in Literature

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WRHA and Outreach Librarian published in Health Information and Libraries Journal

The WRHA and Outreach Librarian, [Patricia Barrett](#), published a paper titled 'An online nursing leadership literature centre at the University of Manitoba Health Sciences Libraries'.

The full-text article can be accessed through the 'Early View' link at the [Health Information and Libraries Journal](#) web site via Wiley Interscience. (Epub ahead of print, 24 February 2009).