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# **FootNotes**

## The Quarterly Newsletter of Murray Memorial Library

## **Swine Flu / H1N1 Resources** (revisited)

You are invited to have another look as flu season is far from being over. If you haven't been vaccinated, there are still opportunities to receive it. Disease prevention while attempting to halt transmission remains critical to staying healthy. Our collection of links on our <a href="Swine Flu">Swine Flu</a> / <a href="H1N1 Resources">H1N1 Resources</a> page encompasses valuable resources for healthcare profession as well as the individual consumer. Once there, you will find general information and links to domestic and international resources about the 2009-10 swine flu outbreaks. Additional information has been added since the last issue of <a href="FootNotes">FootNotes</a>.

So, what should someone begin doing? Get informed and stay informed. Timely information is going to be a key factor!

#### The New Interface of PubMed

PubMed has a new look along with its new interface.

<u>PubMed</u> remains a <u>FREE ACCESS</u> service from the <u>National Library of Medicine (NLM)</u>. To date, it includes over 19 million citations for biomedical literature dating back to 1948. The citations are from MEDLINE and other life sciences journals. PubMed also includes links to many publisher sites providing full text articles and other related resources.

Now, the new <u>PubMed</u> screen provides a series of links organized below the search bar to help pages, PubMed services and related resources for searching the biomedical literature. Across the top of the screen you will see the grey search bar with a drop-down menu to make the search transition between different NCBI/NLM databases (such as PubMed and MEDLINE) easy. Beside the drop-down menu are the links to the many useful features of this powerful database. One of the most important links you will need to begin using every time you search is the **Advanced Search** link. You find this link above the search box on the new <u>PubMed</u> home page. It allows a user to apply search limits such as years, languages, age groups, and article types.

When searching the medical literature, your first choice still should be <u>PubMed</u> which you will find on the <u>Databases</u> page. When you want to know what is available in the collection of the <u>Murray Memorial Library</u>, utilizing this <u>PubMed</u> link will make apparent not only immediate online access to an article in its entirety (look for the SHS Logo) you may also see the print holdings of a particular journal title (provided we hold it).

The SHS Logo indicates that we have access to the article in its entirety online. Clicking on it will take you to the article, but it may be a third party and not necessarily the publisher of that article. In most instances, if you are on a Samaritan network computer your access will be seamless without a username/password to view and/or print it.

The Print Holdings icon indicates that we have the article in hardcopy on the shelf in the library. Clicking on this icon will "tell" you what years and volumes that we own.

We will continue to highlight special features in <u>PubMed</u> that will help you gain more from the results you obtain.

## **Gale Databases**

We recently began a subscription to the suite of Gale Databases. Below are profiles of three of the many offerings from Gale which by the way, are all cross-searchable simultaneously.

One of the premier sources for peer-reviewed, full-text articles from the world's leading journals and reference sources is the <u>Academic OneFile</u>. You may immediately narrow your search to health-related sources by choosing the <u>Academic OneFile-Medicine</u> or look in <u>Related Subjects</u> to find a more specific medical subject area to begin your research.

<u>Health Reference Center Academic</u> is another of the many <u>Gale databases</u> we provide. It is a multi-source database providing access to full-text of nursing and allied health journals, plus a wide variety of personal health information sources that offer reliable health information to researchers, including nursing and allied health students.

Gale's <u>Nursing & Allied Health Collection</u> contains millions of articles found in over 1,100 journals. In this database you'll find many of the titles cited in CINAHL (which we used to offer). This as with many of the <u>Gale databases</u> provides full-text coverage of many journals.

## **New Library Computers**

We have a number of new computers available in the Murray Memorial Library. There are now six computers dedicated to our Intranet while five remain as Internet-only. With more of the required Performance Manager tasks migrating to an online environment, the Murray Memorial Library is helping to fill the need for online access with these latest hardware additions. The library remains a place where all patients and family members can check their emails while here at Good Samaritan. All computers should be fully functional and in place by the end of January.

# Why Use the SHS Library Catalog at www.samlib.com?

<u>Samaritan Health Services LibraryWorld Online Catalog</u> is your key to the variety of resources made available to you throughout Samaritan Health Services. Coordinated through the collective efforts of our Medical Librarians Douglas Hambley, MLIS at SAGH's Stanley K. Davis Library and GSRMC's Stefani Sackinger, the resources we provide whether in print, on the web, DVD, or in any other available format are easily located.

As this ongoing project continues, web links to any of these resources that are online are made available for immediate access. Journals that are part of our currently subscribed to collections will have web links to those journals. Those that are still held by us though not currently subscribed to will have a link to it when online access to back issues is provided. The importance of LibraryWorld will continue to grow as our collections grow whether journal, textbook, or other media format.

The LibraryWorld online catalog is linked as <u>SHS Library Catalog</u> from the right-side of the Medical Library Gateway (<u>www.samlib.com</u>) or can be found at the bottom of our <u>Online Textbooks</u> page.