

FootNotes

FALL 2015, QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER – THE LIBRARIES OF SAMARITAN HEALTH SERVICES

Our **STAT!Ref** E-Book Collection is Growing!

STAT!Ref is one of the e-book platforms that we have subscribed to and provide electronic access online via [The Medical Library Gateway](#) for many years. The offerings provided are from a host of publishers, which makes this online subscription unique. More often than not, you will find that publishers keep their electronic access to their books and journals proprietary; making them unavailable except on their own platform.

We are excited to announce that we secured five new Nursing textbook titles for Samaritan Health Services which will be available on the Samaritan Intranet with no login required; and when offsite via a username/password available from library staff.

The five new titles are:

1. [Davis's Comprehensive Handbook of Laboratory & Diagnostic Tests with Nursing Implications - 6th Edition, 2015 DCT, EPT](#)
2. [High Risk & Critical Care Obstetrics \(AWHONN\) - 3rd Edition, 2013 DCT](#)
3. [Nursing Care Plans: Transitional Patient & Family Centered Care - 6th Ed., 2014 DCT](#)
4. [Pediatric Nursing: Caring for Children and Their Families - 3rd Edition, 2012 DCT](#)
5. [Perinatal Nursing, AWHONN'S - 4th Ed., 2014 DCT, EPT](#)

In addition, we have brought back the classic [Red Book®: 2012 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases](#). Most of the new resources are on a single concurrent user model which means if a particular book is being utilized, then one will need to wait until that individual logs off or if they forget to logoff, they will be timed out and at that time, you can gain access to it.

Any new editions will be automatically updated upon our website and you will have the opportunity to access that newer edition! Look for the new edition of the [Red Book®](#) in early 2016.

Both [The Washington Manual of Medical Therapeutics](#) and [Best Practices in Infection Prevention and Control: An International Perspective](#) will continue their availability as will the [AORN - Guidelines for Perioperative Practice - 2015 Edition](#).

You will find the five new Nursing titles on our [Online Textbooks](#) page under the Nursing heading with the [Red Book®](#) placed under the Infectious Diseases / Microbiology heading.

As with our current **STAT!Ref** titles, you will continue to have access to the [AAFP Conditions A to Z](#) (2015), which is a handy patient-information tool created by the American Academy of Physicians (AAFP). These titles are written and reviewed by physicians and patient education professionals at the AAFP.

Topics such as common medical diseases, treatments and healthy tips (many are available in Spanish) are presented alphabetically and can be searched in **STAT!Ref** online. You can then print out pertinent information for your patients and their family members to enhance their understanding and or to promote a healthy lifestyle.

We will be profiling other Tools and Features in future issues of *FootNotes*.

Everyone Is Welcome to Visit The Library!

Just a reminder, the libraries are always open to the public, patients, patient family members, and out-patients. At any time during our business hours, you may refer a patient, their loved one, or friend to utilize our resources and expertise.

The library staffs at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center (GSRMC), Samaritan Albany General Hospital (SAGH), and Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital (SLCH) are always ready to assist with all your information needs during our business hours.

In the library at GSRMC, you will find a Consumer Health Bookstore where we sell books that both support a number of out-patient programs at GSRMC along with health-related subjects of interest to many. Samaritan Employees can utilize their Kronos while most others may make their book purchase by cash, check, or credit/debit card.

PDF Article / Book Chapter Requests

The most requested format for an article or book chapter through the Medical Libraries of Samaritan Health Services continues to be in Adobe Acrobat as a PDF. Its popularity may be due to its ease of use and timely delivery; usually sent to an email address mailbox. This also is the preferred format of library staffers when ordering an article or book chapter for you.

Most articles are produced by the publisher and presented in a high quality format. That said, many of the older archived issues of a journal are scanned by us and others from a hardcopy. This may not produce the best quality one might expect from these "manually" produced items. We strive to fulfill your requests in a timely fashion with a copy that is legible and easily viewed. At times, the copies we have received through interlibrary loan requests may need to be reordered to get a high quality copy; and we have done that both on our own and when requested to do so.

If you find upon receipt that your article or book chapter is unacceptable for your use, contact us so that we can work with you to rectify the problem and provide you with the information you need in a timely expeditious manner.

Evidence-Based Practice Tools

In a previous *FootNotes*, information on available Evidence-Based Medicine resources was presented. Knowing that practicing evidence-based medicine can be a time involved process which includes locating it, then critically evaluating that evidence prior to its actual use was a motivating factor in its creation.

The [Evidence-Based Practice Tools](#) page was specifically designed for those clinicians who want to incorporate the best available evidence-based resources with their own personal skills and expertise in provision of evidence-based patient-centered care.

Coverage on this page includes numerous subscription-based resources along with an abundance of freely accessible tools. When offsite, access to those subscription-based resources is available but contact the library for the username/password to gain that offsite access if you find it is not provided on the Library Badge of the most commonly used online resources with their username/passwords.

Why Visit the Library?

With “*everything available on the Internet*”, why would you even consider bothering to come to one of your Samaritan Health Services’ libraries? There are many reasons and here are just a few of them (with most on the list available at all three):

- Quiet place to study
- Comfortable chairs to read a book, popular magazine, or the daily newspaper
- Use of a table to meet and collaborate with colleagues
- DVD/Video viewing capabilities w/ headphones (only, please)
- Computers with SHS Intranet and Internet-only access
- Professional Medical Librarians to help with research needs
- Medical textbooks and journals, many of which are not available online
- Consumer Health resources

Tutorials and Tips

So, how does one get started and perhaps, make the most of their valuable time as they research their topic?

Our [Tutorials and Tips](#) page provides links to our electronic resources directly from the vendor. Many provide self-paced tutorials with materials on our key databases and subscription resources. In addition, there is a PowerPoint presentation on researching a topic on the Medical Library Gateway (www.samlib.com) in a step-by-step instruction utilizing the many resources available to you from your desktop or mobile device.

Take a moment to have a look then get started using the various online resources Samaritan Health Services provides you to use via the Libraries of Samaritan Health Services.

Visit or contact SHS libraries:

Murray Memorial Library at GSRMC - 541.768.6200 / 80-6200

Stanley K. Davis Library at SAGH - 541.812.4446 / 82-4446

Medical Library at SLCH - 541.451.7173 / 81-7173