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Health Sciences Library

The Health Sciences Library has long promoted effective information management strategies, which in turn contribute to both lifelong learning and safe, high quality health care. The universal principles of current, relevant information have held steady while the technology continues to evolve over time - from a once-print environment dominated by heavy *Index Medicus* volumes to the present day focus on digital, cloud-based resources and data literacy services. Wikipedia defines data literacy as "the ability to read, create, and communicate data as information" -hardly revolutionary until combined with new technology. Contact the Library for a short consultation on critical search techniques to optimize your database search results, to create and manage citations for publication or to add apps for evidence based medicine point-of-care tools to your mobile device.

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Management information at the Health Sciences Library

The Health Sciences Library is your full-service information source for the latest, most reliable clinical information but also for business related resources that cover the literature of health care finance, health economics, and every imaginable management topic.

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Research Day – A Celebration of Academic Research



Mark your calendar for <u>Academic Research Day</u> to be held on Sept. 8th at BMC Chestnut 1A & B with guest Michael Rothberg, MD, MPH

Literature & Medicine Series

Literature & Medicine is back at Baystate! Co-sponsored by the Baystate Health Sciences Library and Mass Humanities, *Literature & Medicine: Humanities at the Heart of Health Care* is open to all hospital employees, including physicians, nurses, administrators, and support staff, who are interested in reflecting on their experiences through reading and discussion. The short readings for this year's program will focus on who we are as individuals and as humans and our struggle with perfection. The facilitator is Dr. Kent Jacobson, a local humanities scholar and director of the Clemente Course in Holyoke. Refreshments will be served at each session.

CME/CE credits will be offered to those participants that attend at least four of the five sessions (dates listed below). <u>Click here</u> to register for this year's program. Space is limited, so please register early!

Dates: Sep. 15, Oct. 6 and 27, Nov. 17, and Dec. 8 Time: 5 to 7 pm Location: Chestnut Building Conference Rooms Contact: Bridget Gunn (413-794-1291, bridget.gunn@baystatehealth.org)

"After attending the program, participants report that they have a better understanding of the needs and concerns of their patients and of their co-workers, thereby enriching working relationships and strengthening their sense of common purpose." (http://masshumanities.org/programs/literature-medicine/).

Medical Library Association-sponsored webinar, "Are All Systematic Reviews Created Equal?"

In August, Information and Knowledge Services Librarian Bridget Gunn attended a Medical Library Association-sponsored webinar, "Are All Systematic Reviews Created Equal?" The program dealt with the criteria for critically appraising a published systematic review. Also covered were tools and resources to help with the critical appraisal process, including a graphical representation of the conclusions made by a systematic review or meta-analysis. Feel free to contact Bridget (4-1291) with any questions about evaluating these types of reviews.