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• Introduction to the Library & Knowledge Services
• Advanced PubMed Searching
• Specialty Databases
• Evidence-Based Information and Point-of-Care Tools
• Get Organized with EndNote Citation Management
• Audience Response

Health equity reflects many elements and underscores the impact of socio-economic factors on wellness and disease. Discussions on health disparities typically address important elements such as physician patient ratio, underserved populations, aging facilities, infant mortality, and much more. Missing from the equation all too often is the importance of access to current, evidence-based medical information – or the lack thereof. Hospital libraries provide that ingredient, whereby all providers can tap into reliable information that ultimately supports patient safety and facilitates clinical decision-making, while fast, relevant information helps even the most highly skilled providers resolve the unanswered clinical questions that arise daily. Library and knowledge services in some ways helps level the playing field where there has been unequal access to important information. At Baystate Health, the Library even offers online search services to both providers and to health consumers. Studies have shown that quality consumer health information can help promote wellness, reduce health disparities, further patient understanding, strengthen patient-provider communication – and offer hope and reassurance.

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Message from the Librarian:

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COVID-19 RESOURCES

• For Healthcare Providers - Resources and current literature on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) including literature published by Baystate authors.
• For Consumers/General Public – Local, State and National Resources
• Respiratory Therapy Information Resources

REMININDERS

1. Badge Access - Entry to the Library now requires badge access. Request forms for employees are available on the Library Website under “Services & Forms” or ask participants to submit a form for badge access.
2. Computer Lab - Classroom instructors are responsible for letting in participants or designating a proxy to do so. Attendees may phone the computer lab classroom at 794-3580 for access.
3. Face mask must be worn in the library
4. Physical/Social Distancing - It is important to continue to try to maintain appropriate physical distancing as much as possible.
5. Disinfecting wipes are available throughout the library.
LEXICOMP MOBILE APP

Effective Sept. 1st continued access to the Lexicomp mobile app will require a new authorization code. Please see the Lexicomp mobile guide for detailed instructions pertaining to your particular device.

RECENT ADDITIONS TO OUR COLLECTION

Medical education in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine: advanced concepts and strategies
Kritek, Patricia A
W 18 M489 2019

Pouchitis and ileal pouch disorders: a multidisciplinary approach for diagnosis and management
Shen, Bo
WI 520 P872 2019

The peculiar institution and the making of modern psychiatry, 1840-2018
Gonaver, Wendy
WM 28 G635p 2018

Framing the dialogue on race and ethnicity to advance health equity
Thompson, Darla
Free Electronic Book

Just mercy: a story of justice and redemption
Stevenson, Bryan
KF 373 S743 A3 2014

Killing the black body: race, reproduction, and the meaning of liberty
Roberts, Dorothy
HQ 766.5 U5 R58 1999

Medical apartheid
Washington, Harriet
W20.55 H9W318m 2006

Racism: science & tools for the public health professional
Ford, Chandra L
WA 305 R1155 2019

The immortal life of Henrietta Lacks
Skloot, Rebecca
QZ 201 s628I 2011

The new Jim Crow: mass incarceration in the age of colorblindness
Michelle Alexander
HV 9950 A437 2020

White Fragility: why it’s so hard for white people to talk about DiAngelo, Robin
HT 1521 D486 2018