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Message from the Librarian

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Congratulations to our library users who are moving on! Even during the Covid pandemic, so many students, clinicians and scholars have persevered and successfully cleared required educational hurdles. And now, with new credentials in hand are ready for graduations or relocating to new vistas - sometimes far away. Wherever the destination however, the demands of lifelong learning are compounded by ongoing biomedical advances and the information explosion that often outpaces discovery in other disciplines. Beyond the Board preparation and world of continuing education, health sciences libraries everywhere will be a valuable part of any health professional's current awareness plan. Consider, for example our free, automatic search alert services, customized to keep you informed of new peer-reviewed articles covering any of your favorite topics. Or explore available means of electronically browsing the latest Table of Contents of key journals in your field – either sent to you, accessible on a digital bookshelf on your mobile device through [BrowZine](#), or via new technologies using RSS feeds that also forward updates to favorite blogs. Libraries will guide you to relevant point-of-care information with important references and track new publications by cited author's work or help identify pre-publications. Meanwhile, Health Sciences Libraries will continue to be a source of lifelong learning and setting up effective current awareness strategies to stay apprised of medical advances and the latest knowledge breakthroughs.



Current Awareness Tools

It is easy to feel overwhelmed with information these days, especially from the endless supply of news feeds on social media platforms and smart phone apps. Even in the scholarly literature, there are new publishers and journals distributing content every day, making it more difficult to stay current in your field. Fortunately, there are several tools available that can help you focus on the scholarly content that is most important to you and your work:

- eTOC – The most recent Table of Contents from your favorite journals can be delivered to your email, and will include corresponding links to the full text if the library subscribes to the journal. Or, access TOCs and read the full articles using [BrowZine](#), a mobile app from the library.
- Topic Alerts – Compose a search in a database such as PubMed and then select save/create alert to have any new abstracts published on this topic sent to your email on the day and frequency of your choosing. Here are the specific instructions for [PubMed Alerts](#), but feel free to contact the library with assistance on setting up search alerts in any database.
- Author Alerts – Similar to Topic Alerts described above, keep tabs on your favorite authors by searching for their works in a database like PubMed or Scopus and having their newly published citations sent to your email.
- Cited By – Keep track of who is citing a particular article of interest (including your own authored papers!) by setting up a citation alert in either [Scopus](#) or [Google Scholar](#).
- NEJM Journal Watch – Read succinct summaries of the latest research by experts in 12 specialties. Bookmark the [Journal Watch](#) website on your browser and/or sign up for weekly or monthly topic alerts by selecting My Alerts at the top of the page, under Baystate Medical Center.

If you would like assistance with any of these current awareness tools, please contact the [library](#) (794-1865) and we'd be happy to help!
– Bridget Gunn, MSLS, MS, AHIP

Announcements

Over the past year the Library has adhered to strict safety measures, following Baystate guidelines and CDC recommendations. We will continue to make available distanced seating, hand sanitizer etc. and uphold the mask requirement for all library users. At this time we'd like to provide the following article from the journal [Nature](#) regarding the safety of print library publications.

Entry to the library is by **BADGE ACCESS ONLY**. If your badge is not working, please contact security or submit a [Badge Access Request Form](#). Daily library staffing is still provided to assist you, but with fewer staff available on site. Most library services are also provided electronically for your convenience. Contact the library at 794-1865 or email us at library@bhs.org.

Recent Additions to the Library Catalog

Atlas of genitourinary pathology: a pattern-based approach. 2021
Wobker, Sara E.

Atlas of liver pathology: a pattern-based approach. 2020
Torbenson, Michael S.

Cerebrospinal fluid disorders: lifelong implications. 2019

Clinical neuroimmunology. Second edition. 2020

Dying of whiteness: how the politics of racial resentment is killing America's heartland. 2020
Metzl, Jonathan.

Eloquent rage: a black feminist discovers her superpower. 2019
Cooper, Brittney C.

Free flaps in head and neck reconstruction: a step-by-step color atlas. 2020

Functional somatic symptoms in children and adolescents: a stress-system approach to assessment and treatment. 2020
Kozłowska, Kasia.

Jonas' introduction to the U.S. health care system. 2021
Goldstein, Raymond L.

Maingot's abdominal operations. 2019
Maingot, Rodney.

Microaggressions in everyday life. 2020
Sue, Derald Wing.

New kid. 2019
Craft, Jerry.

The old drift: a novel. 2020
Serpell, Namwali.

Parkes occupational lung disorders. 2020

Principles of neural science. 2021
Kandell, Eric R.

The world according to Fannie Davis: my mother's life in the Detroit numbers. 2020
Davis, Bridgett M.

Baystate Health's mission is to improve the health of the people in our communities every day, with quality & compassion. To support that mission, the library responds swiftly, accurately and respectfully to all requests for information. We are proud and humbled by comments such as the one below, which highlight these efforts. If you have any comments, suggestions, etc. please feel free to send us your [feedback!](#)

"okay, for once, not a request. Simply, Baystate's library is the most engaged, efficient, and accommodating hospital library I have ever been supported by. And I have been a few places. I don't know how you do this so quickly, but I am much in your debt."

Wilson C. Mertens, MD, MSBA

Vice President and Medical Director, Cancer Services

Consumer Health Material in our Subscription Databases: Lexicomp Patient Module



Clinical Drug Information

Lexicomp® Online Patient Education Module

Help Patients Better Understand Their Treatment with Easily Accessible Educational Materials



Baystate's major drug information system, Lexicomp Online, includes an impressive [patient education](#) component similar to the consumer health content that many of our subscription databases such as UpToDate, Clinical Key and Access Medicine also offer. Lexicomp Online's Patient Education Module has thousands of patient leaflets on general health topics, including hundreds of non-medication topics and about 4,000 handouts dealing with diagnostic procedures, conditions, basic discharge instructions, lab tests and more. The leaflets are available in 19 languages, with all available in both English and Spanish. Explore our [consumer health resources](#) on the Library web site and ask about our licensed patient education materials along with trusted web resources on general health topics that the Library provides on request to our community through the ["Ask a Librarian" service](#)

Learn the facts and get the COVID-19 vaccine

- [Sign-up with Baystate Health](#)
- [Sign-up with Mass.gov](#)

For additional COVID-19 information see our guides:

- [For Healthcare Professionals](#)
- [For Consumers/General Public](#)



In recognition of National Nurses Month, the Health Sciences Library thanks you for your hard work and dedication!!