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Message from the Librarian

Libraries have long served as sources for the wide dissemination of ideas. But do they also help guide the culture at-large for the better? A recent report by The Chronicle of Higher Education focusing on “The Library of the Future: How the Heart of the Campus is Transforming,” thinks so. While the report dealt primarily with academic i.e. university libraries, health sciences libraries share a similar mission because of credentialing and lifelong learning requirements. Libraries are no longer viewed as static information warehouses however, but instead have broadened their lenses to become a force for societal change. In the Chronicle report, Scott Carlson traces the genesis of knowledge from raw data to publications that are curated in libraries, the “heart of the institution,” promoting diversity, equity and inclusion. We applaud the modern-day role of libraries in levelling the playing field, narrowing the digital divide and eradicating bias. Here at Baystate, the Health Sciences Library now provides universal, 24/7 badge access to all employees across the organization. Other examples include the Library’s joint effort with the Healthcare Education Office organizing a book collection to help combat racism and by promoting important resources and search tools. We advocate information equity and resource sharing between healthcare institutions and support information literacy efforts to assist patients and health consumers. Ultimately, Baystate’s Health Sciences Library actively promotes information and knowledge services that focus on improving the health of diverse populations in our communities “with quality and compassion.”

Ellen Brassil, MLIS, MAT AHIP

LGBTQ+ Subject Guide

Research suggests that members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning (LGBTQ+) population face health disparities linked to societal stigma, discrimination, and stress and are at higher risk of poor health outcomes and health behaviors ([HealthyPeople.gov 2020](https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020)). In recognition of June as Pride Month, check out our newly revised subject guide on Health Disparities for the LGBTQ+ population:

https://libraryinfo.bhs.org/health_disparities/health_disparities_lgbtq. This guide includes links to articles, ebooks, and organizations that provide learning opportunities and support for healthcare professionals and their patients. If you have suggestions for additional resources to include in this guide, please [let us know!](#)

Library Study Space

The library offers various rooms to accommodate teaching, meetings and collaborative study. Effective in July, we will publish a room availability calendar online for your convenience.



Computer Lab Provides 17 PCs and a large monitor, an ideal space for teaching and/or training.



Small Conference Room Includes a conference table with seating for up to 8 people. The room also has a PC and a large dry/erase board and a display monitor.



Designated areas for collaborative learning for your convenience. You can reserve these rooms online or by calling ext. 41865. For urgent small group requests of 8 persons or less when no space is available, contact library@bhs.org

Recent Additions to the Library Catalog

[Advanced health assessment and clinical diagnosis in primary care / Joyce E. Dains, DrPH, JD, RN](#)

[Advanced practice nursing in the care of older adults / Laurie Kennedy-Malone, PhD](#)

[AI in healthcare : how artificial intelligence is changing IT operations and infrastructure services / Robert Shimonski](#)

[The American Society of Addiction Medicine Handbook of addiction medicine / Darius A. Rastegar, Associate Professor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine](#)

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