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Message from the Director:

Drug and pharmaceutical information sources are for everyone. In addition for potentially life-saving information needed by the pharmacist, many of the major drug information resources provide drug information for physicians, nurses and others - or even offer a separate tool for the health consumer on proper use of medications. The Health Sciences Library offers a variety of resources for every need, such as the familiar Martindale's available as part of Micromedex. Many tools feature drugs still under investigation, or medication fact sheets that can improve patient satisfaction. Included are guides to non-prescription drugs, dietary supplements and natural medicines, information on drug regulations and hazard communication, drug identification and dosing, nomenclature, analysis and formulation information - and sources of information on adverse reactions, drug interactions, and current awareness sources – and the vast subject area of drug therapeutics. The Library is always seeking feedback on best sources and wants your input and suggestions. Ask us about new drug information tools or on upcoming free trials and online demonstration the week of March 6th in the library.

Ellen Burchill Brassil, MSLS, MAT, AHIP

Announcing Free Trial & Online Demo of Lexicomp Drug Information at noon March 9th

Lexicomp®

Come to the Health Sciences Library at noon on Thursday, March 9th for a live demo of the drug information system [Lexicomp Online](#), and a Q & A session to launch a month-long trial of the drug information system. We are depending on your input using Lexicomp, a potential hospital-wide solution for pharmacists, physicians and nurses that integrates with the EHR. Lexicomp provides clear, concise, point-of-care drug information, including dosing, administration, warnings and precautions, as well as content, such as clinical practice guidelines, IV compatibility from Trissel's 2 Clinical Pharmaceutics Database – and, patient education in up to 19 languages, along with other tools. Other features:

- **Integrated with UpToDate** - You can link directly from Lexicomp Online to UpToDate, to create the ultimate clinical decision support resource! Without exiting your workflow, subscribers to both applications can toggle between Lexicomp drug information and UpToDate disease topics to help inform diagnosis and treatment decisions. These two trusted brands provide the industry's most comprehensive medication and disease solution to support hospital clinicians' decision making and help enhance patient safety
- **Faster Answers, Increased Efficiency** - Studies have shown that Lexicomp helps clinicians quickly find answers to tough clinical questions and increases system-wide efficiency.
- **Formulary Decision Support Module** – Many specialized resources and valuable content from Facts & Comparisons including comparative data tools, class monographs, and Formulary Monograph Service add a greater depth of information and tools to help support formulary management and clinical decisions.
- **Broader Use** - Used throughout the entire hospital by all clinicians — pharmacists, physicians and nurses — and on the most popular smartphones and tablets.

Board Vitals additions

Baystate Health Sciences Library announces a handful of quality medical board preparation tools available online through STATRef. Included as part of their Board Vitals series are exam review tools in the following areas: Internal Medicine, (ABIM and AOBIM), ABP Pediatric Board Exam, Radiology Core, ABOG OB-Gyn and CREOG Exam and finally Emergency Medicine.

UpToDate Easy Steps for the ABIM MOC Requirements

The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)-certified physicians can now apply *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* earned through UpToDate to satisfy ABIM Maintenance of Certification (MOC) requirements. Click [here](#) for easy steps.

Introducing [GeriatricsCareOnline.org](#)

Your “go-to source” for comprehensive information on geriatrics care, including journals, books, teaching toolkits, audio resources and so much more!

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