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Databases Change at the LSUHSC Libraries

The LSUHSC Libraries have implemented [changes](#) [link removed](#) in search systems and databases. Some changes were effective July 1, 2003. Others will be effective August 1, 2003. These changes were made by LOUIS, a library consortium of Louisiana college and university libraries. As a result, some databases were added; others changed suppliers, and a few were eliminated and replaced by comparable products.

With these changes, the library added ten new databases. Of particular interest to library patrons are two in the health sciences: Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition and Nursing and Allied Health Collection: Comprehensive Edition. Both databases contain important electronic journal content.

On August 1, 2003, the Ovid menu will change. The following databases will be offered:

- CINAHL,
- Health and Psychosocial Instruments,
- MEDLINE,
- MEDLINE Daily Update,
- Mental Measurements Yearbook,
- PREMEDLINE (which changes its name to MEDLINE In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations on September 2nd),
- Journals @ Ovid, and
- Your Journals @ Ovid.

The following databases will be deleted from the Ovid menu but accessible from the [Additional Search Systems and Databases](#) [link removed](#) link on the Library's homepage: Biological Abstracts (from EBSCO), Dissertation Abstracts (from Proquest), ERIC (from EBSCO), and PsycINFO (from EBSCO).

For more information or for assistance, contact the Reference [link removed](#) Department at the Isché Library (504) 568-6102 / (504) 568-8339, or at the Dental [link removed](#) Library (504) 619-8507.

-- [Pauline Fulda](#) [link removed](#)

MDConsult Again Available Through Library

The LSUHSC Library is pleased to announce that the clinical database MDConsult is once again available to the LSUHSC community. With 40 full-text medical textbooks and reference books, online clinical journals, medical news, patient handouts, and drug information, MDConsult is a valuable tool for many faculty, residents, and students. MDConsult, while designed with medical clinicians in mind, provides additional resources for Allied Health, Dentistry, Graduate School, and Nursing professions as well.

Links to access MDConsult can be found at the Library's homepage **link removed** and the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans Intranet **link removed**. *MDConsult is available to those with an LSUHSC user name and password.*

Things to remember when accessing MDConsult through our Library:

- For those who have previously accessed MDConsult, you may notice a minor change in the security. When you attempt to access the LSUHSC New Orleans Intranet, you may be prompted to enter your LSUHSC user name and password. Then, as you login to MDConsult, you will be asked to enter your LSUHSC user name and password again.
- New users of MDConsult: You will be required to register as a new user, answer several questions and "accept" an agreement to use MDConsult. You will only be required to do this upon the first time attempt to access MDConsult.
- All users of MDConsult: Please remember after using the MDConsult application, you MUST logoff by choosing the "logoff" option on the MDConsult webpage. We have only 6 concurrent licenses for everyone to share, so if you do not use the logoff option, then no one else will be able to use your license until after the 15 minute expiration disconnects your session.
- If you experience any trouble logging into MDConsult, please wait a few minutes and try again. If you continue to experience trouble, have your local computer supporter check your LSUHSC NT ID/Password. If you experience trouble after hours or during the weekend, you can contact the LSUHSC New Orleans Help Desk at (504) 568-HELP.
- For information on searching while in MDConsult, you may contact the LSUHSC Reference Librarians at (504) 568-6102 or (504) 568-8339, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. You may also email reference@lsuhsc.edu **link removed** during those hours. The Dental Library's Reference Librarians can be reached at (504) 619-8507. Remember that user id and password questions should always be directed to an individual's departmental computer support personnel.

MDConsult is supported jointly by the following: the LSUHSC New Orleans Library, the LSUHSC New Orleans School of Medicine, the LSUHSC New Orleans School of Allied Health, the LSUHSC New Orleans School of Nursing, the Southwest Louisiana AHEC, and the Southeast Louisiana AHEC. The LSUHSC New Orleans Library is overseeing and coordinating this effort for the New Orleans LSU Health Sciences Center community.

-- Amy Woodruff **link removed**

LSUHSC Library Celebrates Medical Information Day

The LSUHSC Library celebrated the first-annual Medical Information Day on April 11, 2003. Medical Information Day was created by the Medical Library Association in recognition of "the invaluable information and vast range of services medical librarians provide for their institutions and local communities." The theme for the inaugural celebration was "@sk your Medical Librarian." Here at LSUHSC, Reference Librarians staffed an exhibit located in the Atrium between the Nursing/Allied Health Building and the Medical Education Building, at which they handed out information on Library databases and resources to hundreds of LSUHSC faculty, staff, and students.

As part of the celebration, the Library also held a drawing for two prizes. Sonja Washington, Nursing faculty, won the Netter t-shirt provided by the LSUHSC Bookstore, and Melva Gaspard, Clinics staff, won a copy of Stedman's Medical Dictionary provided by the publisher.

The Library was pleased with the positive response to the exhibit from the LSUHSC community, and plans to participate in Medical Information Day in the future.



-- Beth Oliver *link removed*

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Announcements

Harrison's Online

Harrison's Online is now available from the LSUHSC Library. To access, search by title in the Library's online catalog, <http://innopac.lsuhscl.edu> *link removed* or go directly to <http://harrisons.accessmedicine.com/> *link removed*. Access is based on IP address, so users must either be on campus or use a VPN *link removed* connection.

Typewriter Available

A correcting electric typewriter is now available for patron use in the Isché Library. Ask at the Circulation Desk for more information or assistance.

Library Participates in the Gambit Weekly's Wellness Expo

On Saturday, June 14, 2003, the LSUHSC Library exhibited at Gambit Weekly's Wellness Expo in Lakeside Shopping Center. The exhibit highlighted the National Library of Medicine databases that are available to the general public. Three LSUHSC Reference Librarians staffed the exhibit from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Search Hints:

DIGITAL DISSERTATIONS



Digital Dissertations [link removed](#), LSUHSC's online connection to the Dissertation Abstracts database, is available via Proquest. Located from the Library's home page, under [Additional search systems & databases](#) [link removed](#).

The database is successfully searched using Boolean set theory (AND, OR, NOT), selecting known fields like keyword, author, or title to refine the search, and truncation to find term suffixes.

One way to get started searching Digital Dissertations:

- Select Advanced search
- Type in a single search term in the query builder box and select keyword (KEY) from the pull-down menu
 - Multiple terms will be searched as phrases (left to right) unless Boolean terms are used
- Click **ADD** to send the term to the query box
- **ADD** as many terms as needed
- Use truncation to help with word suffixes
 - ? is for multiple letters (*caregiv?* retrieves caregiver, caregivers, or caregiving)
 - * is for one character (*caregiver** retrieves caregiver or caregivers)
- Click the  to perform the search

orks by LSUHSC graduates are available full-text in PDF format beginning in 1997. All other titles published since 1997 are available in PDF digital format and have 24 page previews available. Abstracts (150-words) for master's theses are available from 1988 forward, and author abstracts (350-words) for dissertations are available from 1980 forward. Desired titles may be purchased directly from UMI via the database; however, the Library's [interlibrary loan](#) [link removed](#) borrowing service may be a less expensive option.

-- [Kathy Kerdolff](#) [link removed](#)

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Staff News

Carolyn K. Bridgewater, MLIS, MSW, AHIP, Reference Librarian at the John P. Isché Library (Resource Center), has been appointed to the Medical Library Association's Continuing Education Committee. Her appointment runs through 2006.

Pauline Fulda, MLS, AHIP, Associate Director of the Library, and **Hanna Kwasik, MLIS, AHIP**, Serials Librarian, presented a poster entitled, "Health Information for Consumers: a Study of Selected Hospital and Library Websites in the South Central Region" at the Medical Library Association annual meeting in May in San Diego, CA.

Kathryn E. Kerdolff, MLIS, AHIP, Reference Librarian at the John P. Isché Library (Resource Center), has been appointed to the newly created Distance Education Task Force for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine South Central Region.

Maureen Knapp, MA, Reference Librarian at the John P. Isché Library (Resource Center), has been recommended for membership in Beta Phi Mu, the international library and information science honor society.

Hanna Kwasik, MLIS, AHIP, Serials Librarian, received a letter from the editorial board of the Serials Review, which stated that her article, "Qualifications for a Serials Librarian in an Electronic Environment" was one of the top 10 downloaded articles of 2002. The original print article appeared in Spring 2002 v.28 issue 1 p.33-37. Hanna will also serve as the Chair of the Continuing Education Grant Jury for the Medical Library Association.

Jennifer K. Lloyd, MLIS, AHIP, Circulation & Interlibrary Loan Librarian/Web Coordinator for the John P. Isché Library, was elected to be the Library's representative to the LSUHSC Faculty Senate.

Kresenda Raasch joined the John P. Isché Library in June as a day Circulation Associate.

Julie Schiavo, MLIS, AHIP, Reference Librarian at the Dental Library, has been renewed as a member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals at the Senior level.

Wilba Swearingen, MA, MLS, AHIP, Director of Libraries, has been appointed to the Amigos Library Services Fellowship Selection Committee.

David Wolff, Circulation Associate at the John P. Isché Library (Resource Center), has transferred from days to evenings and weekends.

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Publishing Information

LSUHSC Library-New Orleans' **Library Bulletin** is published three times per year, corresponding to the university's three semesters.

All current LSUHSC faculty, staff, and students should receive an automatic announcement about the availability of a new issue. If you are not receiving these announcements, or if you are not a current member of the LSUHSC community and would like to receive these announcements, please contact Jennifer K. Lloyd at jlloyd@lsuhsc.edu [link removed](#).

Archived copies of the newsletter may be found via the LSUHSC Library's homepage at <http://www.lsuhs.edu/no/library/> [link removed](#).

Additionally, the LSUHSC Dental Library publishes its own newsletter, the *Library Explorer*. Copies are archived via the [LSUHSC Dental Library homepage](#) [link removed](#) under *Library Explorer*.

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