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New Health Reference Resource Offered at NMSU Library

A cooperative agreement between the State Library and the Gale Group has given New Mexico State University access to the InfoTrac Health Reference Center - Academic database. This resource features full-text journal articles, entries from dictionaries and other medical reference books, textbook excerpts, pamphlets, magazine articles and other resources. The database covers 1995 to present. It should prove useful to student and faculty researchers, as well as to anyone looking for general health information.

The InfoTrac Health Reference Center is available by going to the NMSU Library’s Article Databases page (http://lib.nmsu.edu/article.html) and clicking on “Health & Medicine” in the colored box on the left side of the screen. You can also go directly to Health Reference Center by pointing your browser to: http://lib.nmsu.edu/resources/dbhrc.html

Health Reference Center fills in some gaps in the NMSU Library’s electronic resources by providing access to health information in plain language for personal medical research and with some full-text material from medical journals for those looking for more academic information. Although it lacks the depth of CINAHL (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature) or MEDLINE (medical database from the National Library of Medicine), it has enough variety to make it a good starting point for almost anyone looking for information on a medical topic.

Databases mentioned:

Health Reference Center - Wide variety of medical information, some of it in full-text. Available through the Article Databases page (and at: http://lib.nmsu.edu/resources/dbhrc.html).

CINAHL - Nursing and health information, abstracts only. Available through the Article Databases page.

MEDLINE - Medical research database, abstracts only. Available through the Article Databases page.

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