Library Committee Report, 2022-02-08

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Library Committee Meeting

February 8, 2022
Agenda

• Introductions and purpose of committee
• Director’s report
• Committee feedback
• Future meetings

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## Who we are

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Where we were < 2020

- 3 physical libraries
- 3 library websites
- Separate library budgets and org structure
- Inequitable access across RRH
- Duplication of online subscriptions
- Shrinking print collections
Where are we now?

- One department
- One budget
- One library website accessible to all RRH (except SLH)
- Serve 5 hospitals, all ambulatory, COH and system
- Primarily virtual with hybrid model. Librarian presence at Unity, COH and eventually RGH.
- Little-to-no print collections
But what about the books?!

Goal
• 24/7 access to materials that meet the information needs of RRH
• Information equity across RRH

Current Status
• Print journal subscriptions → online journal subscriptions
• Print books → Ebooks
• Databases
Support for Scholarly Activity

✓ **RocScholar** Institutional repository managed by the library. Collect and promote scholarly activity from RRH.

✓ Journal publishing: *Advances in Clinical Medical Research and Healthcare delivery*

✓ Other publishing support: journal selection, literature review, formatting citations, EndNote

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Interprofessional Collaboration

Librarians are active members of:

- Clinical Pastoral Education Committee
- COH Student Service Council
- COH President’s Council
- Editorial Board, *Advances in Clinical Medical Research and Healthcare Delivery*
- Evidence Based Practice Committee
- IACUC
- Magnet Committee
- Nursing Professional Practice Council
- Nursing Research Committee
- Local and National Professional Library Associations

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How much are we used?

- Search requests – approx 900 in 2022
- Article requests/Interlibrary Loans – over 5K in 2022
- Library website – 3,000 visits/month

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Where are we going?

• Office space at RGH?
• Systematic reviews
• Publishing support
• Expanding educational programs across RRH
• Institutional repository collections
• St. Lawrence Health?
MLA Statement Calling on Hospital and Health System Executives to Fund Libraries and Library Staff

Hospital and health system executives must take concrete action to support clinical and administrative staff, patients and their families, and communities by funding hospital library services led by a professional librarian. Working together, hospitals, health care systems, and librarians are positioned to provide the resources, access, and support your health care teams can depend upon to provide evidence-based practice services that will support healthy patient outcomes.

Medical Library Association

Partner with Hospital Librarians to Improve Patient Care

Hospital libraries and library staff are essential partners in providing excellent healthcare and achieving optimal patient outcomes. Studies repeatedly document how using clinical evidence enhances how providers practice which directly correlates with improved patient outcomes and satisfaction as well as high-quality healthcare. Hospital librarians and library staff play a critical role in helping healthcare teams bridge the gap between data and practice by guiding caregivers to the best evidence and reducing barriers to evidence-based practice.[1][3][9]

We urge hospital and health system executives and leaders to consider the key services and roles hospital libraries and library staff play in supporting organizational goals. Funding a hospital library with a qualified librarian clearly demonstrates the organization’s commitment to quality of care and manifests a high priority placed on evidence-based practice and lifelong learning required by accreditation guidance and standards.[6][9][v]

Hospital librarians and the resources they provide, facilitate improved clinical decision-making and higher quality healthcare across the care continuum, including post-acute care settings. Their contributions also provide valuable financial incentives that include preventing adverse events, reducing unnecessary treatments and tests, and reducing length of stay.[9][v][v]

Nurses, pharmacists, hospital administrators and others who often lead or serve on quality assurance and other key hospital committees, may not have affiliations with academic institutions giving them access to journals, books, or data to inform their practice decisions. Additionally, evidence-based information and licensed resources may be expensive or unavailable for individual purchase. Librarians and library staff are uniquely skilled at retrieving quality information and can negotiate access to the best information for their institution, enabling hospital staff to make timely and evidence-based decisions.

Patients, families and health consumers seeking health information confront an overwhelming amount of false or misleading information made available via various social media platforms.

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Next meeting

Tuesday August 9, 2022
11:30-12:30
Zoom