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Medical Assisting Resources

Online Resources: Books

To search for books and other materials in the Edward G. Schumacher Library, go to <http://www.nc.edu/library> and use the “Oasis Online Catalog”. You may search by title, author, or subject. The “call number” in the item record indicates its location on the library shelves.

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Online Resources: Full-Text Articles

*****Link directly to EBSCOhost and ProQuest databases from the online catalog.**

EBSCOhost may also be accessed remotely at the following web address:

<http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?authtype=ip,uid>

Please contact library staff for the username and password to use (library@nc.edu).

Choose “EBSCOhost Web” and on the following page, choose databases: “CINAHL” and “Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition”. Type in your subjects or keywords and click the “full-text” box to search for articles.

The ProQuest online database contains full-text articles from many allied health journals. ProQuest may be accessed at <http://search.proquest.com>. Please contact library staff for the username and password to use (library@nc.edu).

Examples of subjects to use when searching for books or articles

Medical assistants	Human anatomy
Physiology	Health insurance reimbursement
Allied health	Pathology
Critical care	Patient safety
Blood	Medicine—dictionary
Billing and claims	Digestion
Medical personnel and patient	Physiology
Diabetes	Gerontology
Ulcers	Cataracts
Biology	Medical records
Depression	Pharmacology
Medical errors	Biological specimens
Patient files	Surgery
Phlebotomy	Electrocardiograms
Preventive medicine	Hospital admissions

“Advanced Search” in catalogs and databases allows combinations of subject terms.

Selected Reference Books

REFERENCE 610.3/MOSBY’S

Mosby’s medical, nursing, and allied health dictionary

REFERENCE 610.3/STEDMAN’S

Stedman’s medical dictionary

REFERENCE 610.3/TABER’S

Taber’s encyclopedic medical dictionary

REFERENCE 611/GRAY’S

Gray’s anatomy

REFERENCE 615.1/PDR

Physicians’ desk reference

REFERENCE 611/PHOTOGRAPHIC

Photographic atlas of the body

REFERENCE 615.5/CURRENT

Conn’s current therapy 2015

REFERENCE 616/GRIFFITH

Complete guide to symptoms, illness & surgery

REFERENCE 616/MERCK

The Merck manual of medical information

REFERENCE 616.003/HUMAN

Human diseases and conditions

REFERENCE 616.0252/COMMUNITY

Community first aid & safety

REFERENCE 616.075/CURRENT

Current medical diagnosis & treatment

REFERENCE 616.075/PAGANA

Mosby's diagnostic and laboratory test reference

REFERENCE 616.89/DIAGNOSTIC

Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders

Online Career and Health Information

<http://www.aama-ntl.org>

American Association of Medical Assistants

<http://www.Facebook.com/aamaorg>

Sponsored by the American Association of Medical Assistants

Site includes networking opportunities, conference information, etc.

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh>

U.S. Department of Labor: Search Occupational Outlook Handbook for “medical assistants”

<http://mlanet.org/resources/userguide.html#1>

The Medical Library Association: “A user’s guide to finding and evaluating information on the web”/ Recommended websites and resources

<http://mlanet.org/resources/medspeak>

Translations of medical terms and explanations of prescription shorthand.

Available in English, Spanish, and low-literacy formats.

<http://medterms.com>

Medical dictionary

<http://bartleby.com/107/>

Online edition of Gray’s Anatomy of the Human Body

<http://www.medicalstudent.com>

Authoritative medical information for students of medicine

<http://www.getbodysmart.com>

Learn visually from an “online textbook” of human anatomy and physiology

<http://drugdigest.org>

Drug Digest: Includes a drug interaction checker

<http://rxlist.com>

Prescription drug information

<http://www.merck.com/pubs>

Home and professional editions

<http://labtestsonline.org>

Explains clinical lab tests. Search by tests or conditions.

<http://ethnomed.org>

Medical and cultural information on immigrant and refugee groups

<http://www.fda.gov/consumer>

U.S. Food and Drug Administration: Consumer health information

<http://www.hospitalcompare.hhs.gov>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Compare hospital health care for adults with certain conditions

<http://www.healthgrades.com>

Research doctors, hospitals, and nursing homes

<http://www.idph.state.il.us>

Illinois Department of Public Health: laws, statistics, health fact sheets

<http://www.illinoishospitals.org>

Illinois Hospital Association data: quality of care, patients’ satisfaction, type and volume of services provided

<http://www.healthcarereportcard.illinois>

**Illinois Hospital Report Card and Consumer Guide to Health Care
Data on charges, care, death rates, and patient safety records**

<http://www.jointcommission.org>

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization

<http://www.noah-health.org>

New York Online Access to Health—English and Spanish languages

View topics by body area/disease. Content is in both English and Spanish languages.

<http://medicare.gov>

Official U.S. Government website for users of Medicare health insurance

<http://www.hfs.illinois.gov>

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

<http://health.illinois.gov>

State of Illinois Health and Wellness

<http://idfpr.com>

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation: Physician profiles

<http://www.nsc.org>

National Safety Council

<http://www.strokeassociation.org>

American Stroke Association: research stroke symptoms, patient care, drugs

<http://www.who.int>

World Health Organization

<http://h1n1.ebrary.com/home.action>

H1N1 (Influenza) Searchable Information Center

<http://www.healthfinder.gov>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Search topics, drugs, associations

<http://www.ncahf.org>

National Council Against Health Fraud: Focuses on misinformation and fraud

<http://medlineplus.gov> and <http://medlineplus.gov/spanish>

U.S. National Library of Medicine: Medical encyclopedias, dictionaries, topics, news

<http://nlmplus.com>

Searches the U.S. National Library of Medicine's 60 databases simultaneously

<http://openi.nlm.nih.gov/about.php>

An open access biomedical image search engine

<http://www.mayoclinic.com>

Mayo Clinic: Research diseases, conditions, and symptoms

<http://nnlm.gov/gmr/>

Greater Midwest Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine

<http://www.intelihealth.com>

Consumer health information from Harvard Medical School

<http://familydoctor.org>

Health information for all ages. Meanings of symptoms. Insurance terms and Medicare Part D explained.

<http://www.plos.org>

Public Library of Science: Search for free medical and scientific literature

<http://www.ama-assn.org>

American Medical Association

<http://www.apa.org>

American Psychological Association

<http://www.alz.org>

Alzheimer's Association

<http://www.biausa.org>

Brain Injury Association of America

<http://www.braintrauma.org>

The Brain Trauma Foundation

<http://www.brainline.org>; <http://www.brainlinemilitary.org>

Preventing, Treating, and Living with Traumatic Brain Injury

Basics and more for survivors, families, veterans, service members; includes free online courses for health-care professionals

<http://www.oncolink.org>

Cancer-related research by University of Pennsylvania cancer specialists

<http://nccam.nih.gov/health/whatiscam>

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine/National Institutes of Health

<http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic>

U.S. Department of Agriculture: Food and Nutrition Information Center

<http://nihseniorhealth.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: Focuses on aging population; search by topic

<http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov>

U.S. National Institutes of Health: Online articles, many full-text

<http://www.womenshealth.gov>

U.S. Department of Health & Human Service Department: Office of Women's Health

<http://www.cdc.gov>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
See PHIL (Public Health Image Library) for photos, illustrations, and multimedia

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Health Statistics

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr>
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

<http://clinicaltrials.gov>
U.S. National Institutes of Health: Information about research in human volunteers

<http://nimh.nih.gov>
U.S. National Institutes of Health: National Institute of Mental Health

<http://www.healcentral.org>
Health Education Assets Library: a component of the National Sciences Digital Library. Many of the digital teaching sources are bilingual.

<http://www.medtropolis.com/vbody.asp>
Interactive presentations of human anatomy and physiology in English and Spanish

<http://www.mayoclinic.org>
Official website of Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota

<http://www.medlineplus.gov>
U.S. National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health

<http://www.ipl.org>
Internet Public Library/Librarians' Internet Index: Subject: Health and Medical Sciences

<http://www.uchospitals.edu/online-library/index.html>
University of Chicago Medical Center: Online Health Library

<http://www.publichealth.org/education/#resource-library>
See "Resource Library" to access public health resources.