Medical Library Team

The Charlotte Edwards Maguire Medical Library team consists of:

- Seven (7) Master-level faculty medical librarians* with membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP)
- One (1) A&P team member, serving as the medical library’s Administrative Coordinator
- One (1) USPS team member, serving as a Library Associate for E-Resources, Collection Management, and Circulation
- One (1) part-time graduate assistant enrolled in the FSU School of Information Master degree program, serving as a Library Assistant for Public Services
- One (1) part-time OPS team member, serving as a Library Assistant for Public Services

*Faculty medical librarians at Florida State University are affiliated academically with the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Social Medicine at the FSU College of Medicine.

The medical library team supports the mission and goals of the FSU College of Medicine (FSU COM) with a variety of academic and professional backgrounds. Medical library team members also represent the FSU COM through affiliations with:

- American Diabetes Association (ADA)
- Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL)
- Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)
- Consortium of Southern Biomedical Libraries (CONBLS)
- Florida Collaboration of Academic Libraries of Medicine (FCALM)
- Florida Health Sciences Library Association (FHSLA)
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International (JDRF)
- Medical Library Association (MLA)
- Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (SC/MLA)
- Special Libraries Association (SLA)
- Students With Diabetes (SWD)

The Maguire Medical Library is a voting member of the FSU COM Curriculum Committee. As such, the medical library team is entrusted with the responsibility of acquiring and providing initial and ongoing access to the medical library’s extensive collection of electronic resources; supporting undergraduate medical education, graduate medical education, the physician assistant program, and the undergraduate interdisciplinary health sciences degree program; and providing research and library services to FSU COM students, faculty, staff, residents, and researchers.
Medical and University Libraries Collection

The Maguire Medical Library, created at College start-up in 2001 as a digital library, supports the medical curriculum and research objectives of the FSU COM. 99.9% of the medical library’s resources are electronic and available via the Maguire Medical Library website 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. FSU COM students, faculty, staff, residents, and researchers have access to over 90,000 electronic journals and 900 databases. Over 2000 electronic medical reference and textbooks are licensed for both FSU and the FSU COM, and are directly relevant to our undergraduate and graduate medical education curriculum. The medical library’s electronic collection is continually evaluated and updated by the medical library team, faculty curriculum leaders, and researchers for relevancy to the curriculum and research interests of the College. Evidence-based medicine and mobile point-of-care resources are especially applicable to the online environment at FSU COM, providing access to medical library resources around the clock from any internet-enabled device.

The Maguire Medical Library is one of eight on-campus libraries at FSU open to FSU COM researchers and students. Most closely related to the medical library is the Dirac Science Library, which caters to the science populations of FSU outside of medicine and biomed. Through participation in many cooperative licensing agreements, the FSU COM has access to electronic journal packages that typically deliver entire collections of journals from major publishers, including those in medicine, biomedicine, and the social sciences. All are available to active FSU COM faculty, staff, and students for on-campus or remote access.

Medical Library Services

The Maguire Medical Library supports clinical faculty, researchers, residents, and students, both on campus and off campus, through one-on-one consultations and group instruction via face-to-face meetings or via e-mail, teleconference, and video conferencing. In order for students and faculty to make the most productive use of electronic information, a strong and well-developed medical informatics curriculum is integrated into coursework throughout all four years of medical school and FSU residency programs, and is also provided as part of faculty development programming at all campuses. Resources not licensed or owned by FSU are borrowed through interlibrary loan, with an average turnaround time of one business day for electronic items, and three to five business days for print materials.

Reference support is provided to researchers and students using the bibliographic management software application EndNote, which stores references for ease of retrieval and formatting of reports and articles.

Medical librarians assist faculty in interpreting and complying with the National Institutes of Health Public Access Policy and other policies related to copyright and intellectual property issues. The Maguire Medical Library also supports open access publishing endeavors by working with faculty to preserve and disseminate scholarly work in an institutional repository, providing tools to assist in the publication of new forms of digital scholarship, and exploring new models of assessing scholarly impact in an evolving academic publishing environment.

The PLAID Journal, a peer-reviewed interdisciplinary research journal focused on people living with and inspired by diabetes, is published by the Maguire Medical Library. PLAID includes research and perspectives that encourage dialogue between healthcare professionals and people living with diabetes. PLAID aims to gain from the insights of individuals, families, friends, colleagues, advocates, healthcare professionals, and researchers who work to raise awareness of and create solutions to the complexities of living with diabetes.

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