Nursing Pathfinder

The purpose of this pathfinder is to introduce some of the resources available in Houston Cole Library on Nursing. The various types of library materials useful in research are described along with some examples of each type. This pathfinder is NOT a comprehensive listing of sources, but is intended to be a starting point from which patrons can begin their research according to their specific needs.

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BASIC INTRODUCTION OR OVERVIEW MATERIAL can be found in:

REF RT121.M65 1997: Miller-Keane Encyclopedia and Dictionary of Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health, 6th ed.

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SUBJECT HEADINGS can be identified by using the Library of Congress Subject Headings books located at the Information Desk on each floor. Books on NURSING can be located in the Library Catalog by entering a subject search. Books can be located in the Library Catalog by clicking on "Author/Title/Subject" search type. Then click on the "Subject" radio button. Last, type in your subject and press the enter key.

Suggested subject headings for this topic are:
Nursing

Related headings include:
Pediatric Nursing
Surgical Nursing
Emergency Nursing
Holistic Nursing
Nursing Ethics

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To browse the book stacks, here are some Library of Congress call numbers on the 9th floor.

RT 1-120 - Nursing
RJ245 - Pediatric Nursing
RD99 - Surgical Nursing
RT81.5 - Nursing Research
RT85 - Nursing Ethics
R - Medicine in General

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BIBLIOGRAPHIES -- list of books, periodical articles, and/or other materials by subject or author.
Annotated Bibliography for Ethical Guidelines in the Conduct, Dissemination and Implementation of Nursing Research

Core Collection in Nursing and the Allied Health Sciences: Books, Journals, Media

DICTIONARIES -- provide definitions for useful terms.

Mosby's Medical, Nursing and Allied Health Dictionary, 5th ed.
Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary, 18th ed.
Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary, 29th ed.

HANDBOOKS AND MANUALS -- cover broad subjects in a brief, concise manner and may include odd bits of information about a variety of topics (They may also be referred to as a compendium).

Davis's Manual of Nursing Therapeutics for Diseases and Disorders
Encyclopedia of Nursing Research
Handbook of nursing diagnosis
Davis's drug guide for nurses

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS -- are primarily annual reports, studies, and statistics from the various departments and agencies of the government. They are cataloged and shelved like other books and microforms. (There is no separate collection of government publications in this library).

JOURNALS

JOURNALS held by the library can be identified by consulting the Library Catalog by searching under the journal name. Journal Titles on Nursing can be located in the Library Catalog by clicking on "Author/Title/Subject" search type. Then click on the "Journal Title" radio button. Last, type in your journal title and press the enter key. Use these Electronic Databases to locate JOURNAL ARTICLES and other papers on NURSING: CINAHL Plus Full Text and Health Source Plus.

A few Journals which would report on this topic are:

Journal of Nursing Scholarship
Holistic Nursing Practice
Critical Care Nurse
Nursing Outlook

Also, scan for nursing related periodicals in the current periodical section on the 9th floor. Tips on finding research articles.
INTERLIBRARY LOAN services are available to graduate students and faculty. Please ask a librarian about these services.

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