HSLIC was well represented at the Medical Library Association Convention this year. I saw Jean Doty, Lucy Butler, Joan Staats, and Eleanor Cairns. Ask us about the convention; it was a good one.

For your library:

1977 - NATIONAL MEDICAL AUDIOVISUAL CENTER - CATALOG - Audiovisuals for the Health Scientist

In keeping with the latest trends in communications technology, the 1977 edition of the National Medical Audiovisual Center Catalog has been computer-generated. The catalog lists 16mm motion pictures and 3/4-inch videocassettes available on short-term loan from the Center in Atlanta, Georgia. The titles are included in the National Library of Medicine's computerized data base, AVLINE (audiovisuals-on-Line). All of the audiovisual materials have been professionally reviewed for technical quality, currency, educational design, and accuracy. They are specifically designed for use in teaching in the areas of medicine, dentistry, nursing, and the allied health sciences.


COPIES OF THE CATALOG ARE NOT AVAILABLE FROM THE NATIONAL MEDICAL AUDIOVISUAL CENTER.

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Togus has an excellent new slide-tape set, 20 minutes, called On-Line Medlars Searching, put out by NLM. It covers interviewing, elementary Medline searching, MeSH and system capabilities, and Boolean logic. Melda says it covers a good part of her two-day course very neatly and she recommends that everyone borrow it for self-education. Ask for SS 053 and AC 1181.

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SUBJECT INDEX TO PRODUCERS--DISTRIBUTORS OF HEALTH SCIENCE AVs

The AV Subcommittee of the Midwest Health Science Library Network has produced a subject listing of around 600 producers/distributors of Educational Media for the Health Sciences. It:

- Categorizes - the catalog offerings of each producer/distributor by MeSH Heading, except those producer/distributors with very large holdings.
- Tells - you which formats are available from each producer/distributor.
- Gives - you the loan or sale policy of each producer/distributor.
- Indicates - the size of each producer/distributor collection.
- Puts - each producer/distributor into curriculum area--allowing you to do a comprehensive search to initiate a new program. Up to twelve headings per producer/distributor.
- Lists - those catalogs that are so comprehensive that they should be included in your collection. Any producer/distributor that has over 20 MeSH headings was listed as "Most Areas" and not categorized.

For further information, write MHSLN, John Crerar Library/Management Office, 35 W. 33rd St. Chicago 60616.

Kodak AV Equipment Memo S-56 'The Care and Maintenance of Kodak Carousel Slide Tray' $0.20. From: Eastman Kodak Company, Dept. 454, 343 State St., Rochester, New York 14650.

The Health Sciences AV Resources List is a two volume reference tool for the health sciences media libraries. Volume I includes complete subject index by NLM Medical Subject Heading (MeSH) with format, audience level and production date. 130 pages. Volume II includes titles alphabetically arranged with physical description, producers/distributors and brief summaries. In addition there is a list of addresses of producer/distributors represented. Volume II contains 380 pages.

The two volume Health Science AV Resources List sells for $25.00. Contact: University of Connecticut, Health Center Library, Learning Resources Center, Farmington, Conn. 06032.

Audiovisuals in the Veterans Administration Hospital Library Network: A union list of Audiovisuals in the Library Network of the Veterans Administration published in September 1976 provides the first display in printed form of shareable audiovisuals of a sizeable number of titles (3500) held nationwide in the VA Hospital Library network of more than 171 nodes.

This union list is just the first step in organizing nonprint learning resources (audiovisuals) in the VA hospital library network and bringing some order out of chaos. For further information write to: Allen J. Sprow, Library Division, Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C. 20420.

The Library of Rush University has published the second edition of its Multi Media Catalog. The second edition, published in 1976 is a more comprehensive dictionary style catalog (343 pages). It represents the print-out of the software entered in the card catalog by main entry (title cards), subject cards and selected corporate entry cards. It may be a useful reference resource. The Library of Rush University has also issued Sample Catalog Cards for Audiovisual Cataloging, 1976. For further information contact: William Kona, Director, Library of Rush University, 600 South Paulina St., Chicago, Illinois 60612.

The Health Sciences Consortium has published two catalogs. New Catalogue of Self-instructional Materials lists nearly 400 self-instructional programs which can be purchased through the HSC. Self-Instructional Materials in Dentistry lists 43 programs in a variety of formats for self-instruction in dentistry. For more information contact: Health Sciences Consortium, 200 Eastowne Drive-Suite 213, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514.

New Catalogs of Interest: "Media Catalog" is a catalog of materials available at the University of California Davis and SMC campuses listing 600 individual items. This catalog may be useful in cataloging and selection. Rental/purchase information may be obtained by contacting the center. Price: $2.00. Comments, suggestions for improvement of future editions and other inquiries should be addressed to: Liz Ingalls Young, Media Librarian, Medical Learning Resources, School of Medicine, University of California, Davis, California 95616.
Programmed Guide to the Use of Index Medicus is available for $7.50 from

Janette S. Closurdo, Ph.D.
23435 Brandwynne
Southfield, MI 48034

Janette, who is chairman of the MLA audiovisual committee, developed this guide to help users become self-sufficient in the hospital library and save library staff teaching time.

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PHASE-OUT OF ABRIDGED INDEX MEDICUS TITLES

As of July 1, 1977 NERMLS and all Level II Libraries will be unable to provide cost-free interlibrary loan photocopy from any of the 100 journal titles indexed in Abridged Index Medicus (AIM) published January 1974 to the present. This represents the completion of the gradual phase-out of AIM titles begun in September 1975.

Those AIM titles which a particular small Health-Science Library does not hold are readily available from another small Health-Science Library, or through consortium arrangements the library already has or might want to develop. For institutions who do not have or cannot readily get access to these restricted AIM titles and run locally, costs for providing them will reflect NERMLS' and sub-contracting libraries' actual institutional costs.

The special issue of NERMLS News which describes this plan and its implementation is available from the NERMLS office.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

ALERT - L.D.1585 (new draft of L.D.381) IS THE NEW LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT NUMBER FOR 'AN ACT IN SUPPORT OF REGIONAL LIBRARY SYSTEMS'. L.D. 381 IS NOW L.D. 1585.

L.D. 1585 has been "found worthy" by the 108th Maine Legislature. The vital consideration now is the final determination as to if and how the bill will be funded. This decision will be greatly influenced by the legislative leadership and the Appropriations Committee. Supporters of L.D. 1585 should encourage library users to contact the key people on the committee.

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Health Sciences Library
Mid-Maine Medical Center - Thayer Unit
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We desperately need the issues listed below for binding. If you can donate any issues, please mail them to the Thayer Unit.

American Journal of Medicine v.60 pp.733-928, 1976
v.61 Sept. 1976 pp.303-448
v.61 Nov. 1976 pp.585-810

American Journal of Roentgenology v.127 #1 July 1976

Archives of Surgery v.111#7, 10
Cancer v.39 #2, pp.369-998
Medicine v.55 #4-5, 1976
Radiology v.117 #3, pt.1, 1975
We are very sad to announce that Rachel Dutch is leaving Regional Memorial Hospital and HSLIC to take a position in journalism. We all appreciate the time, good sense, and support Rachel has contributed to HSLIC and we wish her success at her new job.

Reminder to HSLIC Executive Board: Don't forget the meeting July 14 at 10:00, Maine Hospital Association, 151 Capitol St., Augusta.

On July 13, at 10:00 a.m. a panel of HSLIC members will be giving a workshop on cataloging over the interactive television stations. Any member can participate by joining Cora Damon at Waterville, Rayna Genetti and Sister Roux in Lewiston, or Gabriel Kirkpatrick in Augusta. The interactive system allows you to ask questions of the panel. The entire program will be videotaped and made available on loan from the VA. A workbook can be obtained by calling my office. (MR)