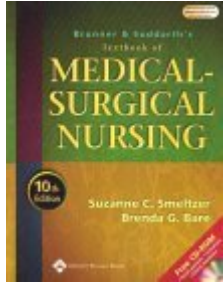


The Health Sciences Library Collection

The Richard M. Johnston Health Sciences Library
at the Western Pennsylvania Hospital



Reserve Collection

The Reserve collection is a set of textbooks, articles, assignments, and videos set aside for WPH School of Nursing and Clarion School of Nursing students. This collection resides on the lower level of the library on the far left wall near the photocopier. Items are arranged according to Course name and number. Items in this collection DO NOT circulate outside of the library, but may be photocopied.

General Collection

The General text (monograph) collection consists of everything remaining on the shelving stacks after the Nursing Reserves. The texts are shelved according to subject areas categorized by the National of Library of Medicine classification system. NLM call numbers (like those found in a regular library) are located on the spine of each text and dictate where the text is shelved. For a listing of subject areas under which texts are grouped, please refer to the National Library of Medicine's Classification Chart located near the Stacks.

Journals – Periodicals

Journals, or Periodicals (Serials), are located in the back room on the lower level of the library. Journals are shelved alphabetically according to the title. Individual issues within a title are shelved chronologically. The majority of the journal collection begins at 1993 and continues to the present.

About half of the journals are “active” subscriptions, meaning they are currently being received by the library. About half of the collection is “dormant,” meaning the subscription has ceased and is no longer being received by the library.



Notice of Security:

Anti-theft devices are placed in all library materials. The library entrance/exit and lower level are under video surveillance.