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Presentation: NNLM Course Development for Building Nursing and Allied Health Research Skills

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Network of the National Library of Medicine Course Development: Building Reference Skills for Nursing and Allied Health Research

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Updating "Nursing on the Net"

1. Teach participants how to evaluate quality health websites for nurses;

2. Enable participants to describe and evaluate quality nursing resources available on the Internet;

3. Demonstrate searches for nursing literature in PubMed.

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Refining Objectives

- Connect National Library of Medicine resources to the needs of nursing and allied health professionals.

- List the ways librarians can support the information needs of their nursing and allied health audiences.

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Our Process

• Team agreed to investigate needs and best practices for librarians teaching nursing and allied health professionals.

• Shared relevant information resources, sharpened the learning objectives, and offered ideas for course activities.

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Building Reference Skills

- Three-week asynchronous course that is designed for library staff who support, or want to support, nursing and allied health professionals.

Course Home

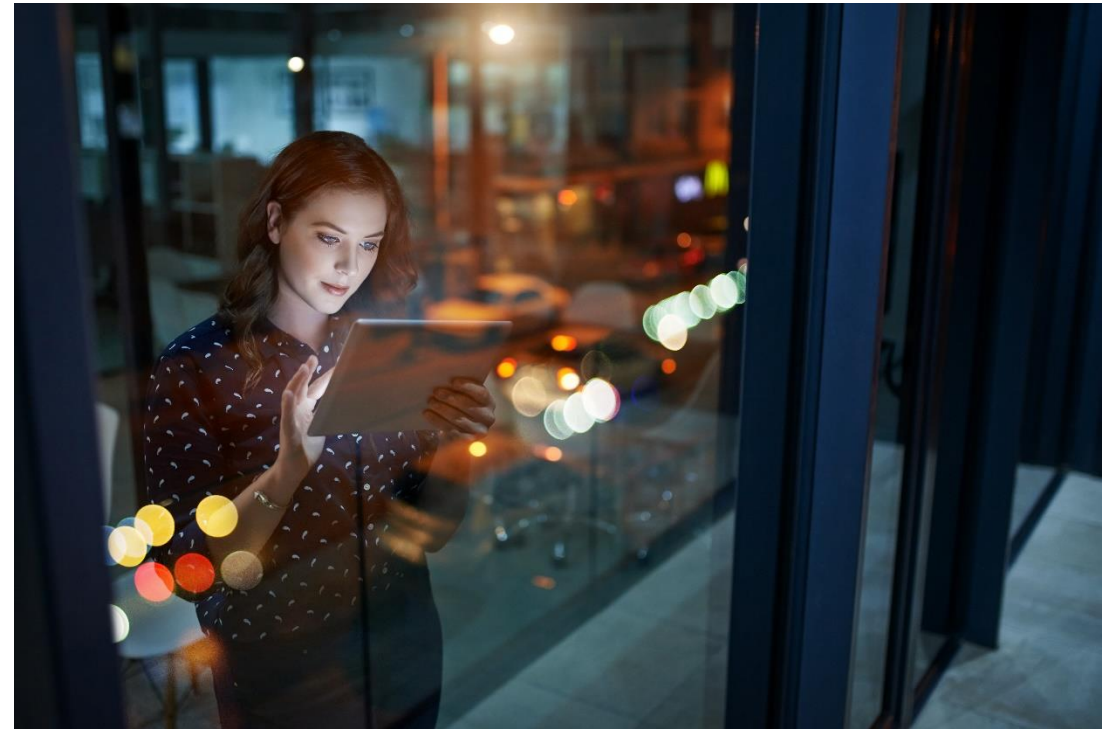Welcome to Building Reference Skills for Nursing and Allied Health Research!

Before you begin with the course content, please:

- Watch our Intro video
- Review the course syllabus
- Learn about the NNLM (optional)

This content will remain available to you throughout the course if you ever have any questions.

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Connect NLM Resources to User Needs

- Research literature > PubMed

- Consumer/patient health questions > MedlinePlus

- Drug info > DailyMed, MedlinePlus Drugs, LactMed

- Quality improvement or health indicators > Healthy People 2020 Structured Evidence Queries

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Reflective Practice

Asked to reflect upon how they can improve library services to nursing and allied health professionals in their work environment.

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How did it go?

- 3 sessions, January-March 2021
- 112 registered
- 99 made it to the online class
- 39 completed
  - 16 did nothing
- 34% completion rate

Overwhelmingly positive reviews!

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Glowing Praise

- 97% learned a new skill.

- 97% improved their ability to apply a resource they already use.

- 88% learned about least 1 health information resource or tool.

- 87% planned to tell others.

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How will participants use what they learned?

- Incorporating NLM resources into LibGuides

- Using search examples from this class in their own instruction

- Sharing NLM resources with participants, faculty and clinicians.

What did participants like?

- Knowledge Checks

- Professional Development Plan

- Resources Comparison Chart

- Self Paced Learning

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What did participants dislike?

- Confusing course navigation

- Content too basic

- Not enough time

What's next?

- Closer look at course navigation

- Revising to on-demand class

- Improved class, Summer 2021!

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Conclusion – NNLM rocks!

- "This course helped my search skills immensely; prior to now, my search habits were scattered, not as systematic. I was introduced to the allied health professions. "

- "Great job putting this together. It's hard to find the right balance of information and assessment, but I think that you've done a great job."

- "This class was excellent."

Thank you for learning with us!