

Library Notes

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Dental Resources at Mott Library

The dental assisting and dental hygiene programs have a long history at Mott Community College. The one - year dental assisting program was first offered in 1961 and the dental hygiene associate degree program began in 1968. Both programs provide the knowledge needed for the student to become an integral member of a dental office team.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the job outlook for both dental assistants and dental hygienists will “grow much faster than average” than many other occupations through 2014. Population growth and the retention of natural teeth by middle aged and older people is fueling the demand for dental services.

The American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation will be making a re-accreditation visit to Mott College this Fall for both programs. To acknowledge the hours of work in preparation for the visit, this special edition of *Library Notes* is dedicated to Mott College’s Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene program’s faculty and staff.

The Mott College Library provides a variety of resources that support the dental assisting and dental hygiene programs. To link to the Mott Library’s website, point your browser to www.library.mcc.edu. To access the PALnet Library Catalog, choose the “Library Catalog” tab. To search the online journal databases, choose “Online Resources”. To access the journal databases from off-campus, you will have to enter the 14 digit number from the front of your Mott ID card.

CINAHL (*Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature*)

Indexes articles from several hundred dental, nursing, allied health and consumer health sources. You can limit your search to “full text” when you click on the “Advanced Search” tab.

MEDLINE (*OCLC FirstSearch*)

MEDLINE provides indexing and abstracting to over 10,000 allied health journals. MEDLINE includes the sources found in *Index to Dental Literature*. You can limit your search to journals that can be found in the Mott College Library.

PALnet Library Catalog

A searchable, online book catalog that contains books owned by Baker, Kettering and Mott College Libraries. PALnet allows searching by title, author, subject or keyword.

On the wire...Websites of Interest

American Dental Assistants Association

<http://www.dentalassistant.org/>

An 80+ year old organization that provides continuing education, insurance programs and a professional journal for dental assistants. The site also provides information on scholarships, dental assisting in the military and employment links.

American Dental Hygienists’ Association

<http://www.adha.org/>

This high quality site, maintained by the largest professional organization representing the interests of dental hygienists, includes a wealth of oral health information, news, career and education resources, consumer information, a great collection of related links, plus a special section specifically for students.

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research

<http://www.nidcr.nih.gov/>

A “reference tool” which brings together a variety of health-related materials and educational resources that fall outside the scope of more technical, research-based collections. It has a strong patient education focus and highlights materials “for patients and professionals.” Sponsored by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, one of the National Institutes of Health.

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