Finding Information for Pastoral Care Concerns

Whenever you are using the Mulford Library to find information (on whatever topic), remember that the librarians are here to help you. Librarians are generally available from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday.

Using Databases to Find Articles

All of these databases are available at the Mulford Library. They may also be available at the St. V’s library or other hospital libraries. Some, such as Religion and Philosophy Collection, are also available at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library.

**ATLA Religion Database** (religion and theology)

Indexes articles from journals such as *Journal of Health Care Chaplaincy, Journal of Religion and Health, Journal of Pastoral Theology, Journal of Pastoral Care & Counseling, Pastoral Sciences, Pastoral Psychology, and Chaplaincy Today*.

**Religion and Philosophy Collection**

Indexes articles from journals such as *Christian Bioethics, Making the Rounds in Health, Faith & Ethics, Mental Health, Religion & Culture, and Mortality*, as well as articles from popular magazines.

**CINAHL** (Nursing and Allied Health Literature)

Indexes articles from journals such as *Journal of Christian Nursing, Journal of Religion, Disability & Health, Palliative Medicine, Archives of Disease in Childhood, Mental Health, Religion & Culture, New England Journal of Medicine*. Because CINAHL is primarily a nursing database, many of the articles are dealing with nursing.

**PsycINFO** (psychology)


Once you identify articles of interest through the databases, a library staff member can show you how to see if we have the article here at Mulford. If not, your primary library can help you get the articles you need.

Available Reference Material

**Oxford Reference: Medicine**

Oxford Reference: Religion and Philosophy


The Mulford Library also has online medical textbooks, such as *Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine*, that you may find useful. Ask a librarian about them.

Health Information on the Web

**MedlinePlus** ([http://medlineplus.gov](http://medlineplus.gov))

One stop “shopping” for free medical information on the web, MedlinePlus selects and organizes medical information written in non-technical language: health topics (diseases, procedures, etc.), health news, drug information, directories, and a medical dictionary. Probably the best source of health information on the Web.

**NetWellness** (access through the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library)

A joint project of three medical centers, NetWellness provides original material (as well as links to external materials) written in plain language.

**InfoTrac Health Reference Center** (access through the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library)

HRC provides access to health information written in plain language.

Health and Spirituality Information on the Web

Center for Spirituality, Theology, and Health at Duke University

George Washington Institute for Spirituality and Health

Spirituality and Health Interest Group at the Medical University of South Carolina
[http://www.musc.edu/dfm/Spirituality/Spirituality.htm](http://www.musc.edu/dfm/Spirituality/Spirituality.htm)

Spirituality and Clinical Care Bibliography from the University of Texas Medical Branch
[http://atc.utmb.edu/altmed/spirit-bibliogr.htm](http://atc.utmb.edu/altmed/spirit-bibliogr.htm)

Spirituality and Health Magazine
[http://www.spiritualityhealth.com](http://www.spiritualityhealth.com)

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