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Grants/Sub-Contracts in Effect FY2013

In 2012, the Lamar Soutter Library (LSL) successfully collaborated with two principal investigators at UMMS, as well as the UMass Chan Medical School (UMMC) to facilitate its participation in the NIH-funded "Clinical and Translational Science Awards for a New Generation of Research Investigators" (http://www.nih.gov/grants/awards/NR008517). The project, "Building a Community of Informationists to Support Translational Science," was one of eight awarded nationally. It provides funding to support an administrative supplement for one informationist at each of the four NIH-funded Clinical and Translational Science Awards in NIH- supported research. The project involves working with LSL faculty, students, and staff; and with the UMass Chan Medical School (UMMC) to build the infrastructure of an informationist service in the institution. The project includes developing a catalog of resources, tools, and data for researchers, and providing an in-depth literature review and report on the effectiveness of one-on-one consultations with the informationist. The project also involves developing an informationist training program and providing support to the informationist as they develop the service. The project is expected to result in the development of a sustainable informationist service at UMMC and a model for other institutions to follow.

Office of Medical History & Archives
The Office of Medical History & Archives (OMHA) of the Lamar Soutter Library's year was one of active engagement with initiatives that contributed to researching, organizing, teaching, and otherwise disseminating the documents that are at the heart of the medical school's history. The year was also one of reimagining how we might support the work of the institution, and we are currently exploring new ways of creating and using digital content that support these goals.

American Archives Month: The October 26, 2013 event honored the founding and early history of the University of Massachusetts Medical School with a special focus on the history of the medical school's libraries and archives. The panel included experts from the LSL, the Libraries, the College of Medicine, and the Office of Communications.
Andrea Delaney, EdM
Mary Piorun, MSLS, MBA, AHIP

Presentations, Posters & Publications


Gore, S. Taking names and knocking obstacles: Building relationships and developing collaborations with researchers. 6th Annual Service Best-Care For Libraries, Amherst, MA, June 1, 2013. http://www.library.umassmed.edu/gore/speech.html


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