Making Women's Health Connections: Between Researchers and to Resources

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MAKING WOMEN’S HEALTH CONNECTIONS - BETWEEN RESEARCHERS AND TO RESOURCES

The UMMS Women’s Health Resources Dissemination Outreach Project
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ACCESS AND PROMOTION OF RESOURCES

Women’s Health in the Curriculum
- Development of Women’s Health Specific case studies to be integrated in the curriculum.
- Used in the Nursing School and School of Medicine.
- Heavily used in conjunction with evidence based medicine materials and courses.

SEX & GENDER IN RESEARCH

“Sex is an important basic human variable that should be considered when designing and analyzing the results of studies in all areas and at all levels of biomedical and health-related research.”

The Science of Sex and Gender in Human Health is a free online courses – designed to create a permanent foundation for sex and gender accountability in medical research and treatment by enabling researchers, clinicians, and students in the health professions to integrate knowledge of sex and gender differences and similarities into their research and practice. https://sexandgendercourse.od.nih.gov/index.aspx

Women’s Health Research

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GOALS:

IMPROVE AND PROMOTE ACCESS TO WOMEN’S HEALTH RESOURCES WITHIN UMMS
HIGHLIGHT AND BUILD CONNECTIONS BETWEEN WOMEN’S HEALTH RESEARCHERS
ENHANCE THE LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN WITHIN ACADEMIC MEDICINE

BY SUPPORTING WOMEN RESEARCH AND RESEARCHERS THROUGH THE GOALS OF THIS PROJECT, TARGETED GROUPS WILL BECOME BETTER RESEARCHERS, CONTRIBUTE MEANINGFULLY TO THEIR FIELDS, AND HAVE GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROMOTION AND LEADERSHIP.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS
COMMUNICATION EVENTS
ALTMETRICS
PROMOTION & OUTREACH
REACH BEYOND UMMS

WOMEN’S HEALTH RESEARCHERS

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COMMUNITY PROMOTION & ENGAGEMENT

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Women’s Health Brief

Seven monthly briefs produced. Production is continuing because of success.
- Widely distributed and well received.
- Distributed via Email, Twitter, Libguide, and print.
- 1-page, quick, easy read format proved most desired and successful.
- All are featured and remain available on the Libguide: http://libraryguides.umassmed.edu/WomensHealthResearch

COMMUNICATION TO THE MEDIA & PUBLIC

“Say What? Effective Communication to the Media and Beyond” with Karen Weintraub as speaker
- Skill development program about how to talk with the media; researchers effectively promoting themselves and their work
- Widely distributed and well received.
- Full video of the event available on the Libguide
- Sponsorship of additional events focused on helping the communication skills of scientists/researchers

LEADERSHIP & MENTORING

Promotion and education about Altmetrics to combat traditional biases and barriers in academic medicine
- Working on Systematic Review looking at leadership and mentorship programs for women in academic medicine
- Consultation on University wide mentorship program

Connecting Researchers

Women’s Health Research Faculty Publications Collection in eScholarship@UMMS

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- Variety of publication formats (articles, presentations, etc.)
- Provides Download counts
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