

## Library Resources in HRM

### Overview and links

A large number of libraries exist in the HRM including University, College, Hospital and public libraries. Libraries that hold materials related to Medicine are located mainly at the following libraries:

#### Kellogg Health Sciences Library

Tupper Medical Building  
5850 College Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.494.2479

#### IWK Health Centre

Room 2048  
5850/5980 University Avenue  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.470.7058

#### Capital Health Libraries:

##### Dartmouth General

Room 2205, 325 Pleasant Street  
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.465.8519

##### Dickson Building

Room 5106, 1276 South Park Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.473.8497  
Phone 902.473.4027

##### Halifax Infirmary

Room 2201, 1796 Summer Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.473.4296  
Phone 902.473.4287

##### Nova Scotia Hospital

Room 200, 300 Pleasant Street  
Hugh Bell Building  
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia  
Phone 902.464.3254  
Phone 902.473.3255

#### Borrowing Books and Journals

Anyone is allowed to read books and journals while in the library. Borrowing privileges are restricted usually to students and staff of the sponsored organizations. However, most of the above libraries provide access to allow IMGs to borrow books and journals.

At **Capital Health libraries and IWK Health Centre Library**, IMGs can be granted temporary borrowing privileges to borrow books as per the Library procedures. The "Application for Temporary Borrowing Privileges" need to be filled out and signed by an ISIS Employment Specialist and faxed to the library of interest. Application forms are available at ISIS.

Access to the **Kellogg Health Sciences Library** at Dalhousie University can be granted through the pilot program called "Borrow Anywhere, Return Anywhere (BARA)". Using a Public Library Card, you can borrow books from the Kellogg Health Sciences Library as any other participating library in Nova Scotia. For more information on this initiative, visit this website:

[www.librariesns.ca/content/borrow-anywhere-return-anywhere-bara](http://www.librariesns.ca/content/borrow-anywhere-return-anywhere-bara).

If you do not have a public library card, you can visit any public library and apply for a card. More information on the instruction is available by visiting the following link: [www.halifaxpubliclibraries.ca/how-do-i-borrow/get-library-card.html](http://www.halifaxpubliclibraries.ca/how-do-i-borrow/get-library-card.html)

#### Electronic Resources

Electronic journals and books are available online and are restricted to students and staff. At the Kellogg Health Sciences Library, there are computers that do not require a password and are open to the public. These computers will give you access to all online journal subscriptions and e-books. The materials accessed can be printed and saved on memory devices.

There are other electronic resources that are available free of charge and can be accessed from home. Following are some electronic materials that may be of value for IMGs:

#### Open Access

Open Access is an online directory of academic research available free of charge. The following link provides a directory of Open Access journals in Medicine.

<http://www.doaj.org/doaj?func=subject&cpid=24>

#### PubMed Central:

Free digital archive of life sciences journal literature

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/>

#### Public Library of Science (PLOS) Medicine

PLoS Medicine is the leading open-access medical journal that is committed to make the scientific and medical literature free of charge.

<http://www.plosmedicine.org/home.action>

#### BioMed Central the Open Access Publisher

BioMed Central is another link that gives you access to free peer reviewed medical literature.

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/browse/bysubject/>

#### Cochrane Library

The Cochrane Library provides access to systematic assessment of healthcare interventions which are published online. The Cochrane Reviews are intended to help providers, practitioners and patients to make informed decisions. Currently, access to the Cochrane Library online directory is granted by using your Public Library Card <https://sapps.ednet.ns.ca/cochranelogin/index2.html>

#### Other Resources

##### PubMed

My NCBI (National Centre for Biotechnology Information) allows you to save your research and data while at home, then retrieve the articles when using the public computers at Dalhousie University libraries. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/myncbi/register/>

Library Guide for the Undergraduate/ Postgraduate Medical Education. <http://libguides.library.dal.ca/med>

Evaluation of health information on the web Library Guide. <http://dal.ca/libguides.com/content.php?pid=88898>