



“Information You Can Trust”

Global Health Perspective Pathfinder

<http://depts.alverno.edu/library/pdf/GlobalHealthPerspectivePathfinder.pdf>

Books, Videos and DVDs

Found on the Alverno Library’s homepage, <http://depts.alverno.edu/library/>, our online catalog TOPCAT provides access to a variety of materials that focus on global healthcare issues. Some useful search terms include:

- Cross cultural medicine
- Global health
- Health religious aspects
- Minorities medical care
- Nursing cross cultural studies
- Transcultural medical care
- Transcultural nursing
- World health

Here is a sampling of books and their call numbers from Alverno’s collection.

- *Culture & clinical care* – Ref 610.73089 C968c 2005
- *Health in the Americas 2007* – Ref 614.42 H434a 2007
- *Religious traditions and health care decisions* – Ref 610.88 R382
- *Global health care: Issues and policies* – 362.1 G562h
- *Transcultural health care: A culturally competent approach* – 362.108 T772
- *Transcultural nursing: Assessment and intervention* – Ref 610.73089 T772 2008
- *World health systems: Challenges and perspectives* – Ref 362.1 W927h

Tip: Don’t forget about the convenient SWITCH delivery service. You can request materials quickly and easily from the eight libraries in the SWITCH consortium. The SWITCH collection is just a click away! Ask an Alverno librarian for details.

Databases and Journal Articles

Alverno subscribes to some great databases! From the Alverno Library’s homepage, click “**Databases by Subject**” and select “**Nursing & Allied Health**”. These quality databases offer access to scholarly resources that will help you gain a global health perspective.

- CINAHL Plus with Full Text
- PubMed Medline
- ProQuest Nursing (look for the Cultural Competency Briefs on the right side of the page)
- Health in the Americas - Pan American Health Organization (look for the PAHO E-Book Collection)
- Global Issues in Context

Tip: Remember to use synonyms when searching for information on cultures. For example, these search terms all represent related ethnic groups: Hispanics, Hispanic Americans, Latinos, and Mexican Americans. Another tip is to incorporate terms such as culture, cultural, transcultural, and health beliefs into your search.

Websites

The Alverno Library provides access to a collection of librarian selected websites. From the library’s homepage, click “**Best Web Sites**” and select “**Health & Nursing**”. This page has links to more than 200 quality websites and includes sections on “**Health Statistics**”, “**International Health**”, and “**Transcultural Health**”. Turn the page for a partial listing.

International Health

Harvard World Health News

This site offers original reporting along with a digest of news stories and commentaries from newspapers and magazines worldwide. It includes special features prepared by the Harvard School of Public Health, such as videotaped interviews with experts and access to radio and television coverage of important breaking public health news stories.

<http://www.worldhealthnews.harvard.edu/>

Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)

PAHO is an international public health agency with 100 years of experience in working to improve health and living standards of the countries of the Americas. The PAHO site provides access to health data and information on important health issues.

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

World Health Organization (WHO)

This comprehensive site provides detailed information on many aspects of health care for countries that are members of WHO. It provides information on disease outbreaks, health statistics, traveler's health, and more. Also includes access to many WHO publications, including the [*World Health Report*](#).

<http://www.who.int/en/>

International Health Statistics

Disease Control Priorities Project (DCPP)

The DCPP is an ongoing effort to assess disease control priorities and produce evidence-based analysis and resource materials to inform health policymaking in developing countries. This site provides access to the comprehensive DCPP publications, related research reports, current news, and more.

<http://www.dcp2.org/page/main/Home.html>

WHO World Health Statistics (WHOSIS)

World Health Organization's guide to international statistical and epidemiological information.

<http://www.who.int/whosis/en/index.html>

Transcultural Health

24 Languages - Health Information in Multiple Languages

This site provides free online access to digitized translated consumer health brochures. Most of the resources are available as both PDF documents and audio files for download or online listening. Native speakers of the respective languages furnish narrations in a multitude of languages.

<http://library.med.utah.edu/24languages/>

Culture Clues™

Created by the University of Washington Medical Center, Culture Clues are short tip sheets designed to increase awareness of concepts and preferences of patients from diverse cultures. This site includes end-of-life care guidelines for certain cultures.

<http://depts.washington.edu/pfes/CultureClues.htm>

United States Department of Health and Human Services - Specific Populations

Look for the links titled "Ethnic and Racial Minorities" and "Immigrants and Refugees" to find numerous resources on these topics.

<http://www.hhs.gov/specificpopulations/index.shtml>

Need more information? Be sure to contact an Alverno librarian at (414) 382-6062.