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Newsletter of the Network of the National Library of Medicine, Region 3

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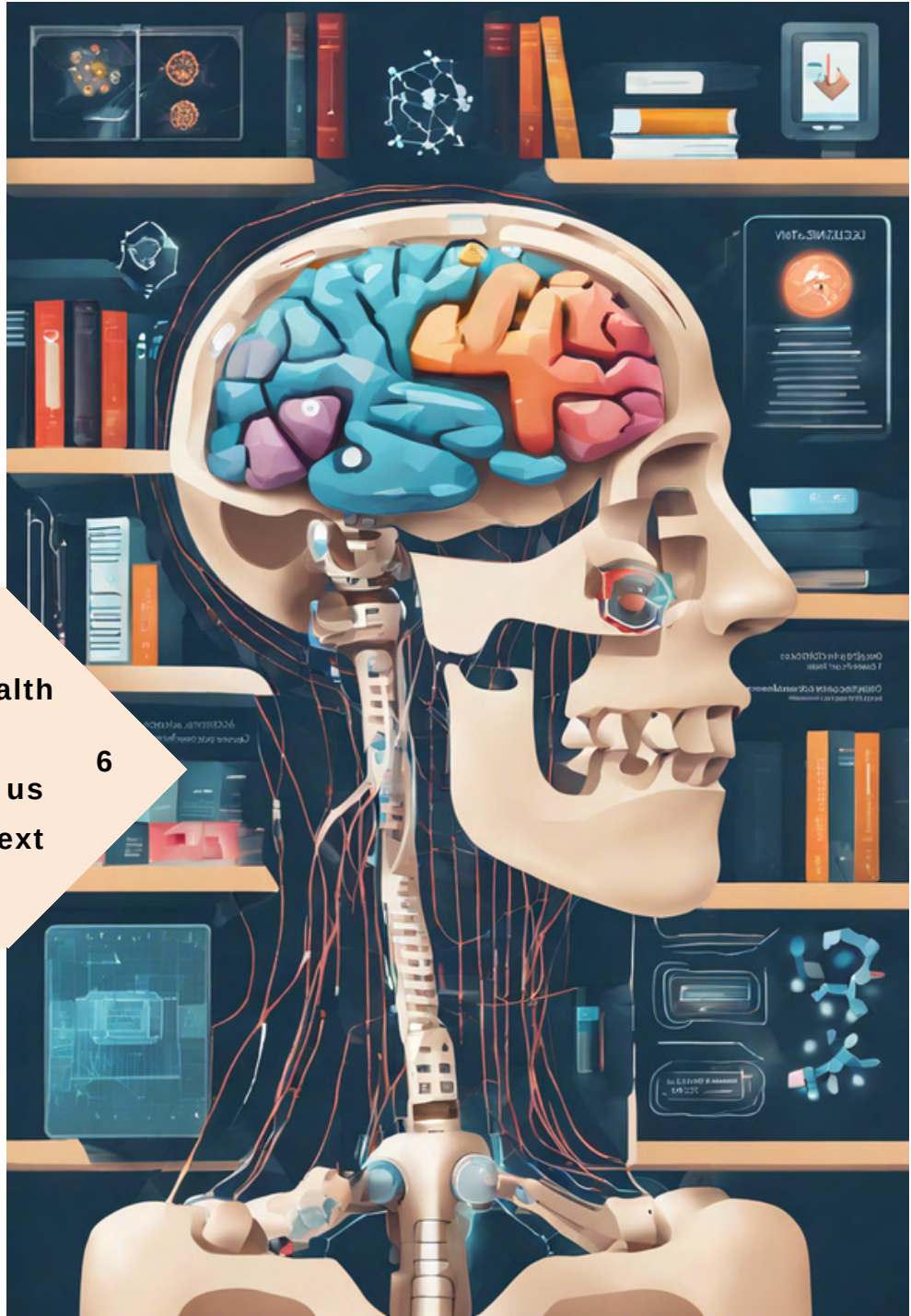
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“Generative AI in Health Sciences Libraries: What to Do Now” as dreamed by Bailey Sterling with DreamStudio by stability.ai

A Note from the Editor

Welcome to the latest edition of the NNLM Region 3 Newsletter! As we dive into this issue, we're thrilled to share with you information that might be of interest to our colleagues throughout the region, whether they be health professionals, educators, researchers, Community Health Workers, or anyone else interested in health literacy.

In addition to content contributed by our partners, announcements, and learning opportunities, we're excited to share with you the names of Awardees and Mentors for this year's NNLM Region 3 Leadership Pathways Awards and Emerging Leader Award (p. 9). These individuals exemplify leadership and dedication in advancing health information access and promoting health equity in our communities; they're our up-and-coming leaders, and we are so excited to be working with them!

We also invite you to meet the interns who are contributing their talents and enthusiasm to our network this academic semester (p.7). Their fresh perspectives and innovative ideas are helping shape the future of health information access and dissemination.

One of the highlights of this issue is a recap of our very popular Health Bytes webinar from earlier this month featuring Dr. Lauren Hays, titled "Generative AI in Health Sciences Libraries: What to Do Now" (p. 6). After reading this article, we invite you to [watch the recording](#) on YouTube. Our office continues to be fascinated by the potential impact of AI on health literacy; our staff regularly explores the capacity of AI tools in our work. For example, the cover image for this newsletter was AI generated, but crafting the right prompt was no small feat. Additionally, this letter was written with the support of AI. We plan to continue engaging with and offering relevant training in order to keep pace with rapid changes in technology.

As we navigate the ever-evolving landscape of healthcare, let's remember the power of collaboration and knowledge sharing. Together, we can drive positive change and create healthier, more equitable futures for all.

Gratefully,



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NNLM REGION 3 ANNOUNCEMENTS DIGEST

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NNLM Region 3 2023-2024 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

CLOSED

Wow! Due to accelerated demand this fiscal year, the **current round of funding for the NNLM Region 3 Professional Development Award and Virtual Professional Development Award is now CLOSED.** Look for more PD funding opportunities beginning in the summer of 2024.

Check out the [Telehealth in Libraries Workbook](#), a new guide from Indiana Rural Health Association. The workbook is for public libraries considering telehealth programming at their location. The workbook helps library staff brainstorm ways to connect to the community, survey the potential need for telehealth, and find potential partnerships ideas.

Submitted by Katie Pierce Farrier



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#citeNLM WIKIPEDIA

edit-a-thon
APRIL 24, 2024

Did you know Wikipedia's health information is used by 50-70 percent of all physicians and over 94 percent of med students? Let's make sure health information Wikipedia articles are reliable! Join your colleagues and NNLM staff for a live editing session on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, from 2-4 PM ET to chat about Wikipedia, edit

articles, and connect with the #CiteNLM Wikipedia edit-a-thon community. No prior experience required! NLM_NIH resources such as MedlinePlus and PubMed will be cited. We will be editing article on Complementary and Integrative Health. [Register Now!](#)

Submitted by Margie Sheppard

Job Postings

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Texas A&M University
Round Rock, TX

[Associate Dean / E&RS Librarian](#)

University of Nebraska Medical Center
Omaha, NE

[Health Sciences Librarian](#)

University of Houston
Houston, TX

[Information and Data Services Librarian](#)

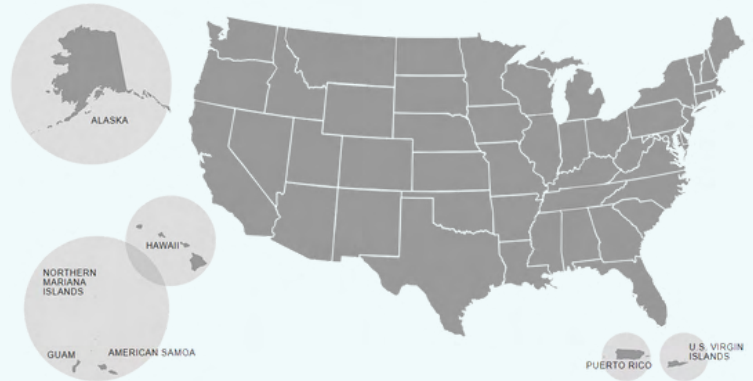
Job ID 50488
The University of Missouri
Columbia, MO

[Research Support Librarian](#)

Tulane University
New Orleans, LA



Nationwide



[Medical and Biomedical Sciences Liaison Librarian, Health Sciences Library Services](#)

University at Buffalo
Buffalo, NY

[Education and Research Librarian](#)

The University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM

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University of Florida
Gainesville, FL

[Clinician Educator of Family and Community Medicine](#)

The University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM

[Assistant/Associate Professor & Information Services and Liaison Librarian](#)

University of Illinois Chicago
Chicago, IL

Learning Opportunities



Registration is open for NNLM's **Social Determinants of Environmental Health Webinar Series**, March 5 - April 2, 2024!

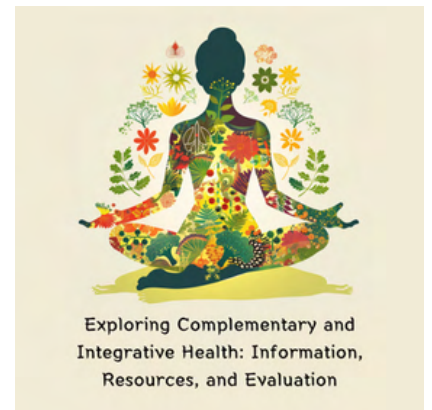
This series will feature experts in social determinants of environmental health, who will present on environmental health disparities and

populations disproportionately burdened by environmental hazards, share informative resources, and discuss interventions to reduce environmental health disparities. [Register now!](#)

Submitted by Margie Sheppard

New Moodle class coming to NNLM soon - Exploring Complementary and Integrative Health: Information, Resources, and Evaluation

For many librarians, delving into complementary and integrative health (CIH) may feel like entering uncharted territory. To help librarians become more familiar with CIH methods, NNLM is launching a new Moodle class, "Exploring Complementary and



Integrative Health: Information, Resources, and Evaluation". Through this class, we will explore the definitions of complementary and integrative health, encompassing both Eastern and Western medicine perspectives. We will delve into various approaches to CIH, discussing their associated risks and benefits and equip you with strategies to help your users discern trustworthy CIH information and avoid fraudulent claims.

The first instance of this class will be offered in July 2024! For more information and to sign up, visit the [NNLM Training Calendar](#).

Submitted by Margie Sheppard

HEALTH BYTES
with REGION 3

A free monthly webinar for anyone
interested in improving health outcomes



[2-1-1 Texas Overview](#)

March 13, 2024
10am CT

Webinar Recap

Generative AI in Health Sciences Libraries: What to Do Now

Submitted by Drew Johnson



On February 7th, 2024, the Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Region 3 hosted the “[Generative AI in Health Sciences Libraries: What to Do Now](#)” webinar. Lauren Hays Ph.D., an associate professor of instructional technology at the University of Central Missouri, led the session, providing an overview of generative AI (Artificial Intelligence) and the ways that Health Science Librarians can leverage it to serve patrons. With over 350 attendees, the webinar was an

enormous success and provided attendees with the basic knowledge and skills needed to effectively leverage generative AI as a resource in their institutions.

The session began with an overview of generative AI and gave examples of open-source platforms most commonly utilized for inquiries of all disciplines. Subsequently, Dr. Hays then broke it down to the most popularly used platforms for medical information. Once participants were able to garner a comprehensive overview of the generative AI resources available and the capabilities of each resource, Dr. Hays then discussed the ways that Health Science Librarians can utilize the resources to assist patrons in their search for accurate health topic information.

After providing a comprehensive overview of the capabilities and currently used platforms for generative AI, Dr. Hays dove into the unique challenges posed by the use of the technology. Open-source generative AI has been created with censorship capabilities to promote ethical results. While this can be beneficial to protect users and prevent the dispersion of harmful information, it can limit the breadth of information provided to users which could contribute to the larger issue of bias and difficulty determining the source of generated information. Dr. Hays further explored this concern and gave guidance on creating guides for patrons utilizing generative AI platforms to account for the challenges outlined to find reliable health related information.



Webinar Recap (continued)

Dr. Hays took special care to answer all questions posed by her large audience. If you want to learn more about AI in libraries or would like to contact the presenter for this engaging and fascinating session, please [email Dr. Lauren Hays](#).

We'd love for you to join us for future editions of Health Bytes! Each month, we bring experts from across information science to talk to our audiences of information professionals, Community Health Workers, medical practitioners, and more. [Register](#) for next month's event today - see you there!

Welcome, Spring 2024 Interns!

Submitted by Drew Johnson

The Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Region 3 is excited to introduce our two new interns! Read more about them below.



BETH LEE

University of Missouri

Thrilled to be part of AgriSafe as the Spring 2024 intern in partnership with NNLM Region 3, **Beth Lee** brings a diverse background as a former Speech-Language Pathologist and a deep connection to agriculture from her upbringing on her grandparents' farm. Beth is pursuing a master's in library science at the University of Missouri and is eager to contribute to AgriSafe's mission by keeping their health information current and relevant.



NIKITHA MARAPAKA

University of North Texas

Currently pursuing a master's in Information Science at the University of North Texas and equipped with a Pharmacy background, **Nikitha Marapaka** joins us here at NNLM Region 3 as our new Data Instruction intern. Her research focuses on "Enhancing Cybersecurity Through ZERO TRUST: a multi-domain Perspective." With a keen eye on the future, Nikitha aims to integrate healthcare and technology seamlessly.

Wishing both Beth and Nikitha a fulfilling and enriching experience in their internships!

Early Career Librarians Initiative - Highlights

Submitted by Caraline Annichiarico

My name is Caraline Annichiarico and I am the Academic Health Sciences Librarian at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. I have been a member of the Early Career Librarians Initiative since November 2022 attending bi-weekly meetings and collaborating with other early and mid-career librarians as well as students.



As an ECLI member, I have the opportunity to not only learn alongside other librarians in the health sciences field, but also to build professional relationships and friendships that can naturally form in this environment. I enjoy attending these highly spirited meetings, which are informative and casual.

ECLI has many upcoming events! The ECLI Webinar Series, which is in partnership with NNLM Region 3, has three webinars a year where expert speakers are invited to present on topics useful for library and information science students and early career librarians. Anyone is welcome to register for these webinars as the topics may aid career advancement for experienced librarians. ECLI colleagues and I have presented a paper on the process of creating this webinar series during the SCC/MLA Annual Meeting at New Orleans, LA in September 2023. We will also be presenting a paper with updated results on this webinar series at the upcoming MLA Conference in May 2024.



ECLI members also developed the idea to create a journal club to discuss selected articles related to health sciences librarianship. The “5th Monday Journal Club” will meet on the months that have 5 weeks, which will be April, July, and September 2024. Everyone is welcome to participate in the journal club and offer suggestions on choosing articles to discuss.

In the spirit of learning from others in our field, ECLI also launched an 

ECLI Highlights (continued)

ongoing series called Career Spotlight, which can be found in the South Central Connection Newsletter. ECLI volunteers have conducted email interviews with experienced librarians to learn more about their jobs, career paths, and recommendations. To check out the Career Spotlight interviews visit the April, August, and December 2023 issues of the [SCC/MLA Newsletter](#). Another endeavor in progress is the Remote Work Projects. We will be looking for project proposals that could involve students or early career librarians to gain experience through guided involvement and assistance. If you have a project proposal please consider submitting to the [SCC/ECLI Project Form](#). For further details to join ECLI meetings, watch webinar recordings, register for upcoming webinars, view Journal Club dates and articles, please visit our website here: <https://sccmla.org/ecli>

Announcing Leadership Awardees and Mentors

Each year, NNLM Region 3 offers a suite of awards focused on leadership and career growth; the Leadership Pathways Award is intended for early-to-mid-career information professionals, while the Emerging Leader Award is for librarians with a little more management experience under their belt. We are proud to announce this year's awardees and their mentors below. Of course, they are more interesting than their names and current titles - we will look forward to sharing their full bios with you soon!

Leadership Pathways Awards

Awardee: Connie Manning, Health Sciences Librarian, Taylor Health Sciences Library, Arkansas Colleges of Health Education

Mentors:

- **Ramona Holmes-Spayde**, Library Director, Gibson D. Lewis Library at the University of North Texas Health Science Center (UNTHSC)
- **Elizabeth Speer**, Associate Director of Digital Scholarship, Lewis Library, UNTHSC
- **Brook Amen**, Associate Director of Education, Research, & Engagement, Lewis Library, UNTHSC

Awardee: Stefanie Lapka, Assistant Health Sciences Librarian, University of Houston

Mentor: Will Olmstadt, Executive Director, Health Sciences Library, LSU Health Shreveport

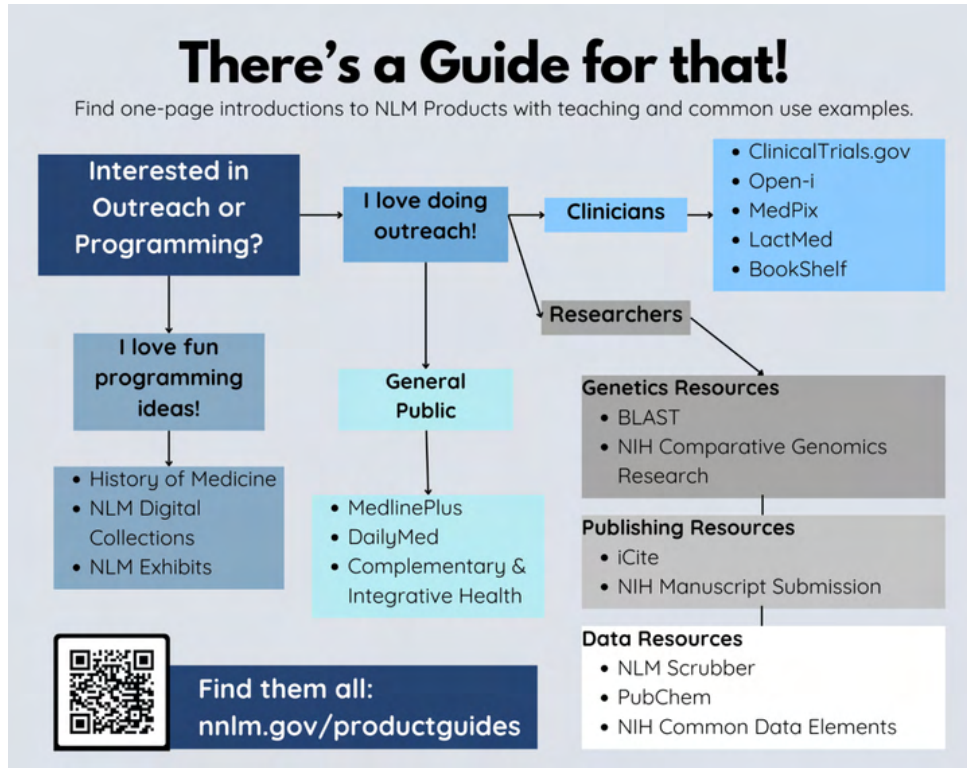
Emerging Leader Award

Awardee: Montie' Dobbins, Assistant Director of Technical Services, Health Sciences Library, LSU Health Shreveport

Mentor: Emily J. Glenn, Dean, Leon S. McGoogan Health Sciences Library, University of Nebraska Medical Center

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