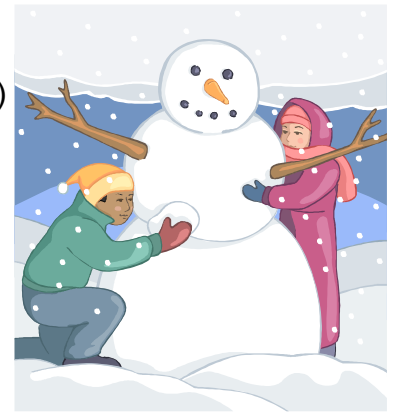




**Pediatric Family Resource Library
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Early Childhood Resource Center**
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Hours for the Pediatric Library:

Monday &
Wednesday 9 am—4 pm
Tuesday &
Thursday 9 am—3 pm
Friday closed

Hours for the Early Childhood Resource Center in the Lamar Soutter Library:

Sunday 10 am—11 pm
Monday—
Thursday 7:30 am—11 pm
Friday 7:30 am—9 pm
Saturday 10 am—9 pm

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The Pediatric Family Resource Library opened in January, 2002 with grant funding from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The library was developed from a collaboration between the University of Massachusetts Medical School's Lamar Soutter Library and the UMass Memorial Children's Medical Center. The library provides health information to families who use the Children's Medical Center. We have hundreds of books and videos and many pamphlets. The library is staffed by medical librarians and library assistants. We do literature and Internet searches on health topics to answer specific questions from parents. We can obtain articles on medical topics from the medical school library or other libraries to answer questions. Funding for the library continued with a subcontract from the National Library of Medicine to teach parents how to find quality health information on the Internet. Then we received another subcontract entitled **CATCH** (Central Mass Access to Child Health Information), to teach the staff of pediatric agencies how to find quality health information. In October, 2003 we received funding from the Massachusetts Department of Education Early Learning Services to be one of six **Early Childhood Resource Centers** in the state. This collection is split between the Pediatric Library and the Lamar Soutter Library. These materials are geared toward teachers, day care workers, early intervention centers, and others interested in early childhood education.

Recommended Health Sites on the Internet:

Circulation Policy:

Any patron interested in a library card may fill out a borrower's application. A valid driver's license or other picture identification is necessary to obtain a library card. Items are loaned for a period of three weeks. Pre-paid postage mailers are available so that patrons may send the items back to the library. Otherwise, items can be returned to either the Pediatric Library or the Lamar Soutter Library. There is a book box located at the reception desk across from the Pediatric Library where patrons may drop off their items if the library is closed. Our patrons can also use their library card to borrow books from the Consumer Health and the Early Childhood Collections in the Lamar Soutter Library.

MEDLINEplus

<http://medlineplus.gov>

American Academy of Pediatrics

<http://www.aap.org>

Mayo Clinic

<http://www.mayoclinic.com>

Medem: an information partnership of medical societies

<http://www.medem.com>

Family Doctor

<http://familydoctor.org>

NOAH: New York Online Access to Health

<http://www.noah-health.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

<http://www.cdc.gov>

Healthfinder

<http://healthfinder.gov>

HealthWeb

<http://www.healthweb.org>

Consumer Health Information from the National Institutes of Health

<http://www.nih.gov/health/consumer>

Websites You Can Trust from the Medical Library Association

<http://caphis.mlanet.org/consumer>

FirstGov for Consumers: Health

<http://www.consumer.gov/health.htm>

General Pediatrics: a general pediatrician's view of the Internet

<http://www.generalpediatrics.com/>

KidsHealth—separate areas for kids, teens, and parents

<http://www.kidshealth.org>



Be sure to evaluate the health information you find on the Internet:

When searching websites on the Internet, consider these questions: who wrote the information, when was the information written, who created the website, and for what purpose. Please remember to talk to your doctor or nurse about the information you find on the Internet.

To explore the collection go to: <http://library.umassmed.edu/pedlib> or <http://library.umassmed.edu/ecrc>

Kids on the Block Puppets

You can inspire children in your community to be more understanding and appreciative of differences. You can borrow any of eight different programs by calling Nancy Harger at 508.856.3334.