NEWSLETTER

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Hours for the Pediatric Library:
Monday & Wednesday 9 am—4 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 9 am—3 pm
Friday 10 am—12 noon 1 pm—3 pm

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:
The library contains many books on specific health topics including:

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
Asperger’s Syndrome
Asthma
Autism
Bullying
Cerebral Palsy
Death
Disabilities
Discipline
Divorce
Dyslexia
Eating Disorders
Epilepsy
Parenting approaches
Parent and child relationships
Personalities
Potty training
Preemies
Sensory integration
Siblings
Sleep
Topics related to specific age groups
Twins and multiples
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.

About the library:

The library’s collection has materials in different media. In addition to books, the Pediatric Library has videos that can be charged out for three weeks, and free pamphlets. Visitors may come in to use the reference books as well as obtain a list of recommended medical websites. There are books written for children relating to specific health topics—asthma, Down’s syndrome, deafness and more.

One issue that is of growing concern to parents and care givers is autism. In *Topics in Autism: Healthcare for Children on the Autism Spectrum*, the authors write “although we do not know the cause or causes of autism, there have been important advances in understanding the syndrome and in treating its symptoms. We know now that we can recognize some medical conditions early in life and reduce negative effects of these conditions on the child’s development and behavior.” (Woodbine House: 2004, p. xii)

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.

To explore the complete collection in the Pediatric Library go to:
http://library.umassmed.edu/pedlib or http://library.umassmed.edu/ecrc