Outreach Program

Our Mission
To provide services and resources for health care professionals, teachers, and consumers in Virginia.

Objectives
- To assess information needs of area health professionals and to develop systems and services to meet those needs.
- To act as a resource to affiliated and unaffiliated Virginia health care professionals by identifying valuable information sources, performing information consultations, providing demonstrations or training sessions on various library- and health-related software, and providing reference assistance.
- To work collaboratively with community, state, and regional organizations, institutions, coalitions, patients, and consumers to support access to reliable health information, resources and programs.
- To establish linkages between the Library and off-site Preceptors and students to promote access to information and library services.

Program Highlights
- Participation in an Appalachian Cancer Patient Navigator Project to develop a curriculum and pilot training in five Appalachian states (Ann Duesing)
- Work with the Cancer Action Coalition of Virginia and the Virginia Cancer Plan 2013-2017 as Treatment Team Chair to reach the goal: Virginians with cancer will have access to appropriate and effective cancer treatment and care (Ann Duesing)
- Development of a Patient and Family Library in the UVA Hospital to provide access to health information for patients, families, and community members (Kelly Near)
- Partnership with the Charlottesville Adult Education Center to provide real-world experience in navigating a health system (Kelly Near)

Additional Services
Borrowing privileges for Health Sciences Library books are available for most items for Virginia residents. For further information please consult the Services for Unaffiliated Health Care Professionals in Virginia [4]

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