Recommended Public Health Resources on the Web

Alaska. Epidemiology Section  Bookmark this page for daily updates on the incidence, surrounding issues and guidelines for infectious diseases in Alaska. Also provides links to other important sites for bioterrorism information and planning and general emergency preparedness. http://www.epi.hss.state.ak.us/

Alaska Public Health Training Network  A distance learning system for training of public health staff and the general public. Scheduled programs from CDC and others are broadcast weekly on the AK3 channel from UAS via cable TV or satellite to a growing number of communities. The programs are also videotaped, and may be borrowed from the library (listing online). Continuing education credit can be arranged. http://www.chems.alaska.gov/phtn/

Arctic Health Website  Conceived and funded by the National Library of Medicine; ongoing development and maintenance by HSIS. An information portal for Arctic Health - organizations, health topics, telemedicine, environmental health, traditional medicine, research projects, health news and publications. There is a growing publications database with some full text and a research database are under construction. http://www.arctichealth.org

Digital Pipeline  Licensed by State, municipal and university libraries just for Alaska residents. Includes six health-related databases on medicine, nursing, complementary health, consumer health, and a vast library of Oxford Reference Books. Academic Search Premier, a multidisciplinary database with many full-text articles has considerable medical content also. http://sled.alaska.edu/databases/home.html If you are asked for a userid and password, call 1-800-440-2919 for an automated message.

Alaska Medical Library (AML) Web Site  AML home page - access to the Alaska Medical Library at the Consortium Library, UAA. Guide to our services, contact information, registration online request forms, licensed resources database tutorials
http://consortiumlibrary.org/aml/

Evidence-Based Practice guide  A brand new page on the AML website, designed to guide practitioners in all disciplines who wish to use the best evidence along with their own knowledge and experience and patient preferences and values to inform clinical practice. http://consortiumlibrary.org/aml/researchaids/ebp/

AML Monthly Newsletter Archive  Back issues of our newsletter - a compact, highly useful e-zine which profiles our services, database changes and new features, medical alerts, useful web sites and other information resources for Alaska healthcare professionals. http://consortiumlibrary.org/aml/publications/

HealthFinder  Developed by the U.S. DHHS and other Federal agencies and recognized since 1997, as a key resource for finding the best government and nonprofit health and human services information on the Internet. http://www.healthfinder.gov/
MedlinePlus
Authoritative, current information from the National Institutes of Health and other trusted sources for over 750 diseases and conditions. Includes listings of hospitals and doctors, a medical encyclopedia, a medical dictionary, information on herbs, dietary supplements, prescription and non-prescription drugs, health news, links to clinical trials, interactive tutorials, easy-to-read materials and surgery videos. MedlinePlus is updated daily at http://medlineplus.gov/

PhPartners
- A comprehensive portal designed for the public health workforce
- 10 top categories: health promotion, literature & guidelines, Health data tools & statistics, Grants & funding, Education & training, Legislation, Conferences & meetings, Finding people, discussion and E-mail lists, Jobs & careers.
- Includes Public Health Information and Data: Manual & online tutorial
- Also Resource Guide for Public Health Preparedness.
http://PHPartners.org

NLM Training Manual: PubMed - Extensive PubMed guide (154p.) showing screen captures and all the features of this database.

PubMed Basics Brochure
Quick overview of how to search PubMed - MEDLINE for the public
http://consortiumlibrary.org/aml/researchaids/handouts/Pubmed_Basics_Jun09.pdf

PubMed Database
PubMed, from the National Library of Medicine, provides access to over 16 million MEDLINE citations back to the mid-1960's and additional life science journals. PubMed includes links to many full text articles and other related resources. AML provides article delivery to registered users who can order while searching PubMed. Accessing PubMed through this URL gives Alaska residents more full-text articles through links to Digital Pipeline content.

PubMed Online Tutorial - University of Florida
Designed to teach you how to use and navigate the many search features of PubMed.

...and to get you started in Web surfing and searching

The BEST search engines from UC Berkeley.
http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/SearchEngines.html

Googling to the Max - Exercises from UC Berkeley. A wonderful collection of tips and examples to help you get the most from our favorite search engine.
http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/Googling_Max-Exercises.pdf

Evaluating Web pages: Techniques to apply and questions to ask. A tutorial from UC Berkeley.
http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/Evaluate.html

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