

Directory of History of Medicine Collections

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Abstract:	The collections and reference assistance using them are available from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, but specific items can be made available at other times by appointment. All materials are library use only, and photocopy permission is reviewed on an item by item basis. When permitted, photocopying is usually performed by the patron.
Holdings:	The Historical Collections of the Health Sciences and Human Services Library are comprised of eight separate collections, and include significant materials in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and social work. The Crawford Collection, which includes early works on medicine and related fields, was originally the private collection of Dr. John Crawford, an early 19th century Baltimore physician. Following his death in 1813, the University of Maryland School of Medicine purchased the collection from his estate. This purchase represents the founding of the Health Sciences Library and by extension the entire University of Maryland Library System. The Cordell Collection, named for Dr. Eugene Cordell, an early historian of the University and first librarian of the institution, includes imprints in the field of medicine. The collection features works by such notables as John Hunter, Benjamin Rush, Hermann Boerhaave, and others. It also includes a substantial number of writings by early faculty members. The Grieves Collection contains significant works in the history of dentistry. Outstanding examples are complete sets of the oldest American dental journals, the first dentistry book published in the United States, as well as the volume <i>Practica Medicinae</i> by Arnoldus de Villa Nova, published in Venice in 1497. Of particular note is the

extensive collection of dental history prints representing the work of numerous renowned artists dating from the 17th to the 19th centuries. The Pharmacy Collection is rich in herbals, pharmacopoeias, materials on the history of pharmacy, and early pharmaceutical imprints. Notable authors represented include Armand Trousseau, George Urdang, Jacob Bigelow, and Jonathan Pereira. The Nursing Collection is the smallest, but contains first editions of Florence Nightingale's works, and also includes some of her original handwritten notes. The Social Work Collection began with the purchase of the Marie Stopes birth control collection. It includes significant works by such prominent social workers as Jane Addams, Dorothea Dix, Mary Ellen Richmond, Margaret Sanger, and Marie Stopes herself. Its scope ranges from topics such as birth control and world fertility studies, to child welfare, social settlements and the history of social work. The Kendall Historical Collection in physical therapy was donated to us by Dr. Florence P. Kendall, noted lecturer and author of works that have become core materials in the discipline of physical therapy. The collection includes significant twentieth century texts devoted to the study of anatomical structures, movement, and rehabilitative exercise. Other works offer a variety of studies devoted to orthopedic surgery, muscle function, and sports medicine. Of special interest is Dr. Kendall's own work, *Muscles, Testing and Function*, published in English and eight foreign language editions. The Ferencz Historical Collection is our most recent addition. Donated by Dr. Charlotte Ferencz, the collection includes chiefly twentieth century works in the field of heart disease. The collection informed and inspired Dr. Ferencz's own career in pediatrics and epidemiology, particularly in terms of her work in the area of congenital heart disease and her coordination of the Baltimore-Washington Infant Study.

Collection Subject Strengths:	History of Medicine; History of Nursing; History of Pharmacology and Pharmacy; History of Rehabilitation and Physical Therapy; History of Reproductive Health; History of Dentistry
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