

## Physician Assistant Resource Guide

### Free Medical Database Searching

#### Library Resources:

- [AccessMedicine](#) – is a comprehensive online medical resource that contains textbooks, multimedia, a differential diagnoses tool and more
- [ClinicalKey](#) – is a clinical resource containing medical and surgical content contained in both journals and books
- [Consumer Health Complete](#) (EBSCO) – covers many health and medical topics, including diseases, conditions, and drugs
- [Prehospital Emergency Care](#) – publishes peer-reviewed information relevant to the practice, educational advancement, and investigation of prehospital emergency care
- [PubMed](#) – citations for biomedical literature from MEDLINE, life science journals, and online books
- [Science Direct](#) – medical and scientific articles from peer-reviewed journals

#### Other Online Resources:

- [ClinicalTrials.gov](#) - a registry and results database of publicly and privately supported clinical studies of human participants conducted around the world
- [Directory of Open Access Journals \(DOAJ\)](#) - online directory that indexes and provides access to quality open access, peer-reviewed journals
- [FDA Drug Approvals and Database](#) – Information on Drug Approvals
- [HealthFinder.gov](#) – resources on a wide range of health topics selected from approximately 1,400 government and non-profit organizations
- [Physician Data Query \(PDQ\)](#) – NCI's comprehensive cancer database containing summaries on a wide range of cancer topics; a registry of 8,000+ open and 19,000+ closed cancer clinical trials from around the world
- [Trip](#) – clinical search engine designed to allow users to quickly and easily find and use high-quality research evidence to support their practice and/or care

### Books

[The PA Program Manual](#) recommends these resources in addition to required course materials:

- CURRENT Diagnosis and Treatment series\*
- Fitzpatrick's Color Atlas & Synopsis of Clinical Dermatology\*
- Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine\* or Goldman's Cecil Medicine\*\*
- Ferri's Clinical Advisor\*\*
- The Harriet Lane Handbook\*\*
- Physical Exam of the Spine and Extremities, Hoppenfeld M.D. Revised 8/15/2017 Page 10\*\*\*
- The Washington Manual of Medical Therapeutics\*\*\*
- The Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy Tarascon Pocket Pharmacopeia, Epocrates or other medication reference\*\*\*

- Dubin's Rapid Interpretation of EKG's

\*Available on Access Medicine

\*\*Available on Clinical Key

\*\*\*Use [Prospector](#) to place an interlibrary loan request to your nearest public library (i.e. [Jefferson Public Library](#))

### Academic Journals at RRCC

- List of [Health and Medicine Journals](#)
- List of [Pharmacy and Pharmacology Journals](#)

To search for full text articles within each journal, type keywords into search bar next to "Full Text:" directly under the title of the journal, or to search by publication year and volume number select blue Full Text Access link and then the first database (Academic Search Complete in the example below):

The screenshot shows a library search interface for the journal "Addiction and Health". At the top, there is a navigation bar with links like "Search Everything", "Publications", "Library Catalog", etc. Below that, a search bar contains the text "Searching: Library Publications" and a search button. The search results show a list of 62 items out of 3,845. The journal "Addiction and Health" is selected, and its details are displayed. A search bar within the journal record is labeled "Full Text:" and has a search button. Below this, there are links for "Full Text Access", "Academic Search Complete", and "Academic Search Premier". The journal's ISSN is listed as 2008-4633 (print) and 2008-8469 (online). The publisher information is Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences, Imam Reza Hospital, Kermanshah 6714415333, Iran (Islamic Republic of). The resource type is "Journal" and the subject is "Psychiatry". The description is "Publishes research findings on the impact of addiction on health in all areas of psychiatry, psychology and medicine." On the right side, there are "Tools" like Google Drive, Print, E-mail, Save, Permalink, and Share.

### American Medical Association Citations

- [Purdue OWL's: Guide to AMA Style](#)

AMA End-of-text citation example:

1. Kaletra (lopinavir; ritonavir) tablet and solution package insert. North Chicago, IL: AbbVie Inc; 2017 Oct.

### Professional Organizations

- [The American Academy of Physician Assistants \(AAPA\)](#)
- [Physician Assistant Education Association \(PAEA\)](#)
- [National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants \(NCCPA\)](#)
- Also supported by
  - [American Medical Association \(AMA\)](#)
  - [American College of Surgeons](#)
  - [American Academy of Family Physicians](#)

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