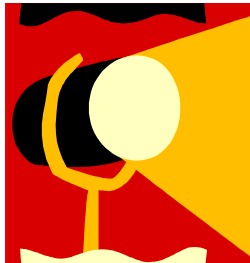


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Spotlight on: Resources on Maternal Health

*M*aternal health refers to the health of women during pregnancy, childbirth and the post-partum period. While motherhood is often a positive and fulfilling experience, for too many women it is associated with suffering, ill-health and even death. The major direct causes of maternal morbidity and mortality include hemorrhage, infection, high blood pressure, unsafe abortion, and obstructed labor.

Data Bases

LactMed



A peer-reviewed and fully referenced database of drugs to which breastfeeding mothers may be exposed. Among the data included are maternal and infant levels of drugs, possible effects on breastfed infants and on lactation, and alternate drugs to consider." From the National Library of Medicine's TOXNET. Free LactMed App for iPhone/iPod Touch, Android 2.1 or higher.

<http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/cgi-bin/sis/htmlgen?LACT>

The WHO Reproductive Health Library



RHL is published by the Department of Reproductive Health and Research at WHO Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. RHL takes the best available evidence on sexual and reproductive health from Cochrane systematic reviews and presents it as practical actions for clinicians (and policy-makers) to improve health outcomes, especially in developing countries. Main content in RHL:

- Full text of selected Cochrane systematic reviews
- Independent expert commentaries on single or a collection of related Cochrane reviews -
- RHL commentaries

- Practical advice on implementation of findings of each Cochrane review - RHL practical aspects
- A complete list of interventions evaluated in RHL, classified by the degree of their effectiveness - Effectiveness summaries
- A set of training videos to help clinicians master details of manual and surgical procedures - RHL videos
- A set of published journal articles and other materials to help understand and practice evidence-based sexual and reproductive health care - Methodological resources.

Available for iPad, Android, PC and Apple computers, the RHL app allows you to access the entire library offline.

<http://apps.who.int/rhl/en/>

POPLINE



POPLINE is a free resource, maintained by the Knowledge for Health (K4Health) Project at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health/Center for Communication Programs and is funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

POPLINE includes information on population and family planning, specifically research in contraceptive methods, family planning services, research in human fertility, maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS in developing countries, program operations and evaluation, demography, and other related health, law, and policy issues. Many documents are unique to the collection and are unavailable

elsewhere. POPLINE consists of bibliographic citations and abstracts to a variety of materials including journal articles and other scientific, technical, and programmatic publications as well as unpublished documents and project reports (gray literature).

Most documents published after 2000 contain links to full-text. POPLINE provides **free full-text** copies of many documents to users in low- and middle-income countries and development-supportive agencies. To request documents using My Basket, you must sign in or create an account. When you add an item to My Basket, it will be saved there until you're ready to submit your request.

<http://www.popline.org/>

The Malaria in Pregnancy (MiP) Library



The *Malaria in Pregnancy (MiP) Library* is a regularly updated, comprehensive bibliographic database of published and unpublished literature relating to malaria in pregnancy, including a trial registry of planned and ongoing trials, for use by scientists, policy makers, funding agencies, industry and other interested parties.

The MiP Library meets the demand for a current and international resource on malaria in pregnancy and is a product of an international collaboration between scientists working on MiP (the Malaria in Pregnancy Consortium).

Some references include links to full-text articles online. Access to online documents is not necessarily free and will depend upon the access rights of the user of the MiP Library.

Visitors to the MiP Library from developing countries may be entitled to free or reduced-cost access to online articles through HINARI, PERI, and BIREME.

<http://library.mip-consortium.org/>

Journals and Artiles

PLOS Collection on Maternal Health



Maternal Health Task Force (MHTF)-PLOS Collection on Maternal Health Year 2 (2012-13) - "*Maternal Health is Women's Health*".

In 2012-13, the Maternal Health Task Force (MHTF) and the *PLOS Medicine* Editors continued their collaboration to create a freely available, open access collection of outstanding research and commentary on maternal health, the MHTF-PLOS Collection on Maternal Health, to further the collective goal to improve women's and children's health worldwide through greater access to more comprehensive maternal health information and knowledge. Millennium Development Goal 5 (to improve maternal health) is the goal most lagging behind due to a lack of progress in a critical number of countries.

<http://www.ploscollections.org/article/browseIssue.action?issue=info:doi/10.1371/issue.pcol.v07.i20>

WHO Maternal health: Bulletin articles

Articles for 2010-2013

http://www.who.int/topics/maternal_health/bulletin/en/

Maternal and Child Health Journal



Maternal and Child Health Journal offers an exclusive forum for advancing scientific and professional knowledge of the maternal and child health (MCH) field. Peer-reviewed papers address

MCH practice, policy, and research, exploring such topics as MCH epidemiology, demography, and health status assessment; Innovative MCH service initiatives; Implementation of MCH programs; MCH policy analysis and advocacy and MCH professional development.

Exploring the full spectrum of the field, Maternal and Child Health Journal is an important tool for practitioners as well as academics in public health, obstetrics, gynecology, prenatal medicine, pediatrics, and neonatology. Access to full-text through HINARI

<http://link.springer.com/journal/10995>

Organizations

WHO. Maternal Health

General information. Fact sheets, News releases on maternal health, Multimedia, WHO programmes and activities, Maternal health in WHO regions, Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, Publications.

http://www.who.int/topics/maternal_health/en/

National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health

Affiliated with the Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Georgetown University (PDF files).



Includes an Organizations Database of more than 2,000 MCH and related organizations, and selected full-text NCEMCH publications (PDF files). NCEMCH's knowledge paths on maternal and child health-related topics contain selections of recent, high quality resources and tools for staying abreast of new developments and conducting further research. Components of a knowledge path include links to Web sites, electronic publications, databases, and discussion groups, and citations for journal articles and other print resources. to research, findings, policy developments, recently released publications, new programs, and initiatives affecting the

MCH Alert is a free weekly electronic newsletter that provides timely reference to research, findings, policy developments, recently released publications, new programs, and initiatives affecting the maternal and child health (MCH) community

<http://www.ncemch.org/>

UNFPA

United Nations Population Fund. Reproductive Health & family Planning Resource Kit

<http://www.unfpa.org/public/mothers/pid/4390/index.htm>

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