Respiratory Therapy
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Web Sites

- **AC Respiratory Care Department**—recommended links.
- **Lung Diseases Information for Health Care Professionals**—National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.
- **Lung and Breathing Topics**—MedlinePlus evaluated sources on a variety of conditions.
- **Guidelines for Prevention of Nosocomial Pneumonia**—Centers for Disease Control guidelines address the prevention of bacterial pneumonia in mechanically ventilated and/or critically ill patients, care of respiratory-therapy devices, prevention of cross-contamination, and prevention of viral lower respiratory tract infections.
- **Asthma Care Practice Guidelines**—collected by the Association of Asthma Educators.
- **Indoor Air Quality**—A to Z topics, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
- **Respiratory and Immunologic Conditions**—Medical Fact Sheets created by the National Jewish Medical and Research Center.
- **Equipment Standards for Emergency and Disaster First Responders**—including air purifiers and breathing apparatus, from U.S. Department of Homeland Security.
- **Occupational Health for Healthcare Providers**—sources about screening and prevention of accidents and infections, coping with shift work and stress, procedures to avoid needlestick, safe patient transport methods, dealing with hazardous material and more.
- **Health Image Library from Centers for Disease Control**
- **How to read and evaluate a scientific research paper**
- **How to read a research article**—article in *Journal for Specialists in Pediatric Nursing* advises clinicians how to read a research article.

AC Library Databases

- **Health Reference Center Academic**—provides searchable full text information from medical reference books and articles from refereed periodical literature including full text of journals such as Medical Laboratory Observer, Hematology Week, and Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine.

- **Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition**—provides articles from more than 500 scholarly full text and abstracted journals focusing on many medical disciplines. Also contains a medical dictionary.
• **CINAHL**—Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature covers nursing, biomedicine, health sciences librarianship, alternative/complementary medicine, consumer health and 17 allied health disciplines. Contains abstracts or full text, depending on the publisher.

• **STAT!Ref**—is an electronic medical library that enables users to cross-search more than 35 full text medical reference and textbooks covering physiology, pharmacology, internal medicine, obstetrics, psychiatry, pediatrics, urology, dermatology, geriatrics, emergency medicine and more.

**Electronic Books**

Note: There are a number of books on this topic in the [NetLibrary eBooks](#) database. These are just a few samples. Please log in using your WebAdvisor ID and password.

- **Case Profiles in Respiratory Care** French, William A. Albany: Thomson Delmar Learning, 2000.
- **Medical Management of Pulmonary Diseases** Davis, Gerald S.; Marcy, Theodore W.; Seward, Elizabeth A. New York: Marcel Dekker, 1999.
- **Handbook of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease** Rees, John; Calverley, P.M.A. Florence, Ky: Routledge, 2002.

**Print Periodicals**

(All are located in the library on AC West Campus, a member of the Amarillo Public Library system (Northwest Branch)).

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