

SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL

Survey of Interest and Needs for an Electronic Nursing Library and Resource Center

Thanks to all members who previously completed this form. Data from completed surveys is being used in current planning. If you completed this form earlier, please give this one to a colleague.

What would you like to have available to you in the "Library of the Future?"

Sigma Theta Tau International is planning a unique, computerized, state of the art library and resource center which will respond to the information needs of nurses, nurse researchers, educators, administrators, graduate students, government agencies and other health organizations.

The goals of the library have an emphasis on (but not limited to) the establishment of a repository of information regarding nursing research. The goals include the development of information services in a cooperative effort with individuals, nursing organizations, schools of nursing, nursing service agencies, and other libraries and information centers.

A. Library User Profile (Please circle one appropriate number in each category.)

Age

1. Under 21
2. 21-30
3. 31-40
4. 41-50
5. 51-60
6. 61-70
7. Over 70

Highest Level of Education

1. B.S. or B.S.N.
2. M.S.N.
3. M.S. or M.A.
4. Ed.D.
5. Ph.D.
6. D.N.S.
7. Post Doctoral
8. Other _____

(Please specify)

Specialty

1. Research
2. International Health
3. Community Health
4. Family Health
5. Aging
6. Maternal Health
7. Women's Health
8. Adult Health
9. Child Health
10. Mental Health
11. Other _____

(Please specify)

Employment Status

1. Employed full-time in nursing
2. Employed part-time in nursing
3. Employed outside of nursing
4. Unemployed
5. Student
6. Retired

Workplace

1. Self-employed
2. Hospital/Multihospital System
3. School of Nursing
4. University/College Administration
5. Home Care
6. Ambulatory Care/Clinic/HMO
7. Occupational Health
8. Public Health Agency
9. Government Agency
10. School System
11. Voluntary Association
12. Industry
13. Nursing Home
14. Other _____

(Please specify)

Type of Position

1. Administration
2. Consultant
3. Supervisor/Coordinator
4. Faculty
5. Head Nurse
6. Staff Nurse
7. Nurse Practitioner/Associate
8. Clinical Specialist (masters or above)
9. Other _____

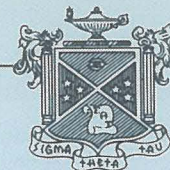
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B. Assessing Electronic Library User Information Needs.

What services would be important to you in an ideal information service system oriented to the way you would like to work?

A number of information needs are being explored. Please indicate the level of importance to you of each of the potential services listed. Add others if desired.

		Very Important	Somewhat Important	Un- Important
1. Research in progress by nurse researchers	1.	_____	_____	_____
2. Abstracts of doctoral dissertations	2.	_____	_____	_____
3. Doctoral dissertations	3.	_____	_____	_____
4. Masters theses	4.	_____	_____	_____
5. Nursing research conference (reviewed) abstracts	5.	_____	_____	_____
6. Nursing-related grant-funded progress reports	6.	_____	_____	_____
7. Graduate nursing programs-foci	7.	_____	_____	_____
8. Nurse consultants-research/focus interest	8.	_____	_____	_____
9. Call for abstracts/research conferences	9.	_____	_____	_____
10. Certification lists	10.	_____	_____	_____
11. Research funds-sources	11.	_____	_____	_____
12. Research fellowships, scholarships, sabbaticals	12.	_____	_____	_____
13. Literature searches	13.	_____	_____	_____
14. Research newsletters (universities and service agencies)	14.	_____	_____	_____
15. Nursing association publications related to research	15.	_____	_____	_____
16. Nursing-related government publications	16.	_____	_____	_____
17. Nursing questionnaires/nursing instruments/nursing surveys	17.	_____	_____	_____
18. Lists of nursing-related statistical sources	18.	_____	_____	_____
19. Nursing conference/symposia proceedings	19.	_____	_____	_____
20. Clearinghouse of general nursing-related information	20.	_____	_____	_____
21. Information for a nurse speakers file	21.	_____	_____	_____
22.	22.	_____	_____	_____
23.	23.	_____	_____	_____
24.	24.	_____	_____	_____



C. Current Library Use

1. What impact do library services have on your ability to do your job and/or your research?
☐ significant ☐ moderate ☐ slight ☐ don't know
2. Approximately how many times have you used a library during the past 6 months for your research, teaching practice, speaking or writing needs? _____
3. Was the desired information available for your research, teaching practice, or other needs? ☐ yes ☐ no If not, what did you need which was not available?

4. During the past year, has your usage of a library ☐ increased ☐ decreased ☐ remained the same
5. Do you anticipate your usage of a library to change in the near future -
☐ increase ☐ decrease ☐ remain the same
6. Do you have access to or own a:

	Yes	No	Unknown
• computer <i>and</i> modem	_____	_____	_____
• telefacsimile machine (photocopy machine using phone lines)	_____	_____	_____
• computer and CD-ROM player (high volume storage disk)	_____	_____	_____
7. Would you use the services of an electronic library such as those proposed in this survey?
☐ yes ☐ no ☐ undecided
8. We invite your suggestions in shaping the electronic library. Please note comments or recommendations below:



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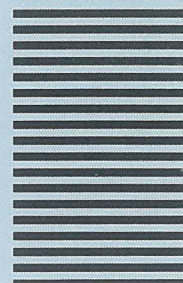
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