Center for Disability Resources Library

New Additions to the CDR Library:

- **Mental Retardation: A Life Cycle Approach** (1992)
- **Understand Brothers and Sisters on the Autism Spectrum** (2007)
- **Bright Futures: Guidelines for Health Supervision of Infants, Children, and Adolescents** (2000)
- **Teaching Math to People with Down Syndrome and Other Hands-On Learners** (2004)

From the CDR Library Stacks

September 2008

The Library’s Latest:
A Note from the Coordinator

—Make sure to check out the new titles featured on the side-bar and the subsequent pages!

—We received a total of 101 reference questions; 40 research questions; 59 check-out requests; 22 renewal requests; distributed 50 web articles and/or journal printouts; and, handed out 231 pamphlets. Finally, we had 9 new patrons join the library!

—Roz and I were invited to an open house at the newly renovated South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department in Columbia this past month. We got a firsthand tour of their facilities, including a barrier-free model home, an accessible swimming pool area, their physical rehabilitation room, and lots more. Check out a description taken from their Web site on the back page of this newsletter!

—Also this month, I have a new graduate assistant join the library. Ravin Winfrey, a brand new Genetics Counseling student at the university is a welcome addition to our library staff!

Welcome Ravin!

Checkout the CDR Library Blog!

Breaking News Stories:
- 2008 Oticon Focus on People Awards: Call for Nominations
- Autism Society of America and AMC Entertainment Host Sensory Friendly Films
- South Carolina Autism Society Annual Conference
- Pro-Parents SC 2008 Calendar of Workshops
- Two Up-and-coming Autism Trainings
- Splash Bash Sept. 8th
- Helping the Deaf Hear Acoustic Device Allows Sound to Travel Through Bones
- North Carolina Assistive Technology Expo
- Robotics Research: Enhancing the Lives of People with Disabilities

“Your library is your portrait.”
~ Holbrook Jackson ~

Disabilities
- Stretchable Silicon Camera
  Next Step to Artificial Retina

Check out these and much more at:
http://cdrlibraryblog.blogspot.com
Spotlight on These New Additions...

Mental Retardation: A Life Cycle Approach (1992)  
—“This comprehensive introduction to mental retardation is strongly based on the stages of human development. It provides an interdisciplinary perspective regarding aspects of diagnosis and intervention.”

—“This inspiring DVD looks at the importance of speech intelligibility (understandable speech) and what makes clear speech challenging for people with Down syndrome.”

Understand Brothers and Sisters on the Autism Spectrum (2007)  
—“This DVD shows siblings that other kids are facing the same challenges they face, and explores a range of ways the kids interviewed have learned to get along with and enjoy their brothers and sisters.”

Robotics Research

Robots may be the solution for people with disabilities who are struggling to regain the use of their limbs, thanks to a research team that includes engineers and students from Rochester Institute of Technology. The study utilizes physiological information, or bio-signals, produced by the human body, to improve the performance of external assistive devices, called orthoses, which aid individuals with physical disabilities, such as strokes or major spinal cord injuries, regain the use of their arms and legs.

To learn more, please visit http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/08/080807130913.htm
Spotlight on These New Additions...

What Color Is Your Brain? A Fun and Fascinating Approach to Understanding Yourself and Others (2008) — “Enjoyable, insightful, and easy-to-read, What Color Is Your Brain? is a guide to exploring who we are, why others see us the way they do, and how the four “brain colors” or personality types play a role in our everyday lives."

Bright Futures: Guidelines for Health Supervision of Infants, Children, and Adolescents (2000) — “Provides comprehensive guidelines for promoting and improving the health and well-being of children. Arranged according to stages of development, the text contains information on physical exams, immunization recommendations, etc.”

Teaching Math to People with Down Syndrome and Other Hands-On Learners (2004) — “Parents and educators can use this guide to teach meaningful math to students—with and without learning problems—who struggle with understanding computation, number concepts, and when and how to use these skills.”

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Great Books and Videos

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The South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department is an employment agency for people with disabilities. Many of our clients are highly motivated but need help developing work skills. After eligibility is established, each client participates in an assessment to determine which vocational rehabilitation services are needed to help the client prepare for employment.

Cardiac Rehabilitation...
SCVRD, in cooperation with certified cardiac rehabilitation programs, provides specialized vocational rehabilitation services throughout the state.

Hearing Impaired Services…
Any deaf or hard-of-hearing individual who has a substantial barrier to employment and needs assistance in preparing for, obtaining or keeping a job may be eligible for services.

Substance Abuse/Dependence Treatment…
SCVRD operates two voluntary residential treatment centers for clients who need inpatient therapy for the chronic abuse of alcohol and/or other drugs.

Information Technology Training Center…
For over 20 years SCVRD’s Information Technology Training Center has prepared and placed South Carolinians with significant physical disabilities in computer-related fields. The ITTC is a multifaceted program that allows clients fully compete in today’s technology-driven job market.

Barrier-Free Model Home…
Technological and structural features of this model home, located on the main SCVRD campus in West Columbia, illustrate how careful planning and attention to detail during construction can result in a living environment that is truly user-friendly for people with disabilities.