University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library Strategic Plan 2015-16

The mission of the University of South Carolina School of Medicine (SOM) Library is to provide exemplary library and information services to support the education, research and patient care programs of the School of Medicine, and to provide high quality health information to the people of South Carolina. In support of this mission, the Library will undertake the following strategic initiatives during 2015-2016.

- A. Continue to build a digital library that is accessible to users from anywhere at anytime.
- Continue to expand Library's electronic collections based on faculty purchase recommendations through the cancellation of low-use journals and databases.
- Ensure that electronic collections provide strong support for SOM research, patient care, and educational programs.
- Engage in consortial purchase of electronic information resources with University Libraries and other academic libraries in South Carolina whenever possible.
- Continue to maintain and develop LibGuide subject portals in partnership with SOM departments.
- Migrate e-journal system from TDnet to Full Text Finder in collaboration with University Libraries.
- Implement remote access authentication via University Libraries proxy server.
- Investigate Encore/Discovery service to enhance e-book discovery.
- Collaborate with Palmetto Health-USC Medical Group on provision of library services as appropriate.

B. Provide educational services that are available at the time and place of need.

- Continue Library Liaison service to provide customized information support for faculty.
- Continue use of web-based tutorials in existing School of Medicine curriculum components and explore integration into other areas of curriculum and faculty development.
- Create web-based tutorials to supplement in-person library classes and continue conversion of tutorials to tablet-friendly platform.
- Provide onsite educational programs for SOM preceptors in Florence and Myrtle Beach.
- Investigate library and information support needs of new Physician Assistant Studies program.

C. Maintain and expand partnerships, grants, and contracts.

- Complete outreach project with South Carolina Autism Academy funded by National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region.
- Provide web support for the Ultrasound Institute and the Society of Ultrasound in Medical Education.
- Partner with Palmetto Health on provision of professional librarian services to Palmetto Health Richland clinicians.
- Continue partnership with Center for Disability Resources (CDR) on CDR Library services.
- Provide professional librarian services to SOM preceptors at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center.
- D. Provide a Library atmosphere for students, faculty, and staff that is inviting, comfortable, and functional and encourages community and collaboration.
- Host NLM Traveling Exhibit "The Literature of Prescription: Charlotte Perkins Gilman and 'The Yellow Wall-Paper'."
- Host a Library Open House to highlight the Library's newest electronic information resources and services.
- Collaborate with SOM administration on leveraging the Library building space to most effectively serve the needs of students and faculty including expanded access to third floor from within Library.