This bibliography offers strategies for locating information on selected topics of concern to those working with Native Americans with disabilities. The strategies are arranged in a format called a pathfinder. Each pathfinder follows a similar format, beginning with a brief overview of the topic, followed by an annotated bibliography, and concluding with the pathfinder that lists different types of information on the topic. The pathfinder identifies and describes available sources, including journal articles, monographs, data files, government documents, research reports, and videos or audio tapes. Pathfinders also cover indexes, catalogs, directories, dictionaries, CD-ROM projects, or online databases. The bibliography contains the following pathfinder titles and authors: (1) "Native Americans and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome: A Pathfinder" (Holly B. Koelling); (2) "Native Americans and AIDS: A Pathfinder" (Holly B. Koelling); (3) "Locating Information on Native Americans with Diabetes and Visual Impairments: A Pathfinder" (Craig R. Dowell); (4) "Native Americans and Alcoholism: A Guide to Searching the Literature" (Mike Steckel); (5) "Finding Assistive Devices for Disabled Native Americans: A Pathfinder" (Coby Condrey); and (6) "Rehabilitation Counselors Serving Adult Native American Amputees: A Pathfinder" (Linda Parker); and (7) "A Pathfinder on the Financial Implications of the Americans With Disabilities Act" (Lisa Sjoblom). (KS)
PATHFINDERS FOR FINDING INFORMATION ON NATIVE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES

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Introduction

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In The Broken Cord, Michael Dorris wrote of coming to terms with the fact that his son Adam had a handicap as a result of fetal alcohol syndrome. He wrote:

"As I grudgingly began to concede that he might have some handicaps, some of them potentially beyond the ability of my love, of my energy, to affect or cure, I turned once again to the familiar reassurance of intensive study. I was trained to believe that the answers to almost everything resided in the library, ready for discovery if one looked in the right card catalogue and with enough persistence. Research meant authority, and authority, I once believed spelled power." [Michael Dorris, The Broken Cord, p. 76]

Libraries and information centers do house authority, in the information specialists who have experience and training in answering questions or pointing out where answers might be found.

What follows are strategies for locating information on selected topics of concern to those working with Native Americans with disabilities. The strategies are arranged in a format called a pathfinder. Each pathfinder follows a similar format, beginning with a brief overview of the topic, followed with an annotated bibliography, and concluding with the pathfinder or guide to locating information on the topic. The pathfinder
identifies and describes some of the best sources available, whether the information is packaged as a journal or monograph, data file, government document, research report, video or audio tape. They also illustrate how someone might locate valuable resources by using paper indexes, CD-ROM projects, or online databases. While the sources included are limited to those in the holdings of the General Libraries at the University of Texas at Austin, we hope that anyone in need of these materials is located near a library or information setting that either owns them or can borrow items from other facilities.

These pathfinders may help answer the following types of questions:

Which agencies would fund a community program for serving Native Americans who have visual impairments?

Is there any recent research on Native Americans and fetal alcohol syndrome?

How many Native Americans have AIDS and how does this figure compare to the number of cases in other ethnic groups?

Is there a company that sells communication devices that Native American children with communication difficulties can use?

Are there any descriptions of success programs that counsel Native Americans on alcohol and substance abuse?

Who publishes articles and research reports on services to Native Americans with disabilities?

The pathfinders were prepared by students enrolled in the Spring 1992 "Information Resources in the Social Sciences" class
at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Texas at Austin. Craig Dowell, Holly Koelling, Liisa Sjoblom, and Mike Steckel presented summaries of their work at the Conference on American Indians with Disabilities in Phoenix, Arizona on June 3, 1992.
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Native Americans and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome: A Pathfinder
by
Holly B. Koelling

The first reports of what would later be called Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, or FAS, came from studies conducted in France in 1968. FAS originated as a diagnostic term in a 1973 study by Jones and Smith of American children who exhibited physical malformations and other pre- and postnatal deficiencies. These children were born to alcoholic women.

FAS describes a range of irreversible defects, generally characterized by growth deficiency, physical abnormalities in the face and head, dysfunctions of the central nervous system, and arrested mental development that result from maternal consumption of alcohol during pregnancy.

Although FAS is not limited to specific population or racial profiles, the prevalence of alcoholism in Native American communities, coupled with a high percentage of women who drink heavily and habitually, has led to a particularly high incidence of FAS within this population.

The purpose of this pathfinder is to facilitate access to information on Native Americans and FAS through sources and reference tools available in a large academic library. Sources were chosen based on whether they might be of interest to the attenders of the Conference on Native Americans with Disabilities, scheduled in Phoenix, June 1992. Attending will be disabled Native Americans, educators, health care professionals, and researchers.
Definitions and overviews will lay a foundation for attenders not already familiar with FAS. Attendees will most likely be interested in broadening their understanding of FAS—its history, current research, prominent authors in the field, its relationship to Native Americans, and personal accounts of FAS victims and families. They may also desire the most recent statistical and clinical data on FAS, as well as government activity concerning FAS. The conference attender may want to make connections to sources, organizations and persons outside the reach of this pathfinder.

Appropriate sources include:

A) Those specifically addressing FAS as concerns Native American populations.

B) Those providing background and/or detailed information on FAS, non-specific to Native Americans.

C) Those able to lead the user to further informational resources, associations or persons.

Methodology:

I began my search for monographs and government documents with a subject and keyword search under the term "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome" in UTCAT Plus, the online catalog at the University of Texas at Austin. Next I browsed CD-ROM products available for current articles. I then focused on directories. Authors' notes and bibliographies were considered in making selections for the pathfinder. I aimed for currency, but felt some "classic" monographs should be included to compliment recent government
documents and online citations and to give historical perspective. Materials were not selected if impenetrable to a general, yet likely well-educated audience, due to technical or medical language.
BIBLIOGRAPHY

BIBLIOGRAPHIES:


Abel compiles a 300 page bibliography of publications on alcohol and fetal development. Sources are included from Abel's private collection, the reference lists of the publications included, contributions made by researchers in related disciplines, and from online databases such as Dialog and Medline. Entries are arranged alphabetically by author, as is an addendum. All entries are assigned a number that is used as a location indicator in the subject index provided at the back of the volume. The cutoff date for inclusion is 1984. An introduction supplies condensed data on alcohol, and on "Major Characteristics Associated with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effects". This source leads the user to materials for further study.


Although this bibliography contains many articles of interest only to researchers and/or medical professionals, a number of the annotations refer to readable articles for the general audience, from journals such as Science, Drug and Alcohol Dependence, Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research, and Journal of the American Medical Association. Abel arranges his bibliography by subject, such as 'Mental Retardation', 'Behavioral Effects', and 'Incidence'. The annotations are concise and descriptive.

DIRECTORIES:


The editors of this reference work have brought together a union list and directory of newspapers and periodicals published by Native Americans, including Alaska Natives, that focus on current issues and information specific to these population groups. Entries are arranged alphabetically by title and include a scope note, publication history, and information sources where the publication can be found. An index guides the reader to publications featuring specific subjects, such as FAS, alcoholism and alcohol treatment. Appendices include a list of titles by date of establishment, and a list of titles by state of
publication. Brief biographical sketches of contributors to the work are provided. Although slightly dated, this is a unique and valuable resource for locating periodicals addressing FAS published by and circulating in Native American communities.


Andriot has compiled an invaluable source for not only identifying the major agencies, bureaus and departments of the U.S. Government, but for locating annotated lists of their purposes, publications and Superintendent of Documents classifications. She provides access to government organizations producing literature and, in many cases, bibliographies on FAS, alcohol, and Native Americans. Agencies falling under the Department of Health and Human Services, such as the Indian Health Service; the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration; the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; and the Administration for Native Americans, are listed in a clearly delineated table of contents. The user may contact the organizations for their publications, or browse the government depository section of the library within their Superintendent of Documents classification numbers for pertinent documents.


A comprehensive listing, developed for the NIAAA, National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, of U.S. national organizations concerned with a broad spectrum of alcohol-related issues. Standard directory-style information is provided, including name, address, telephone number, contact person, purpose, services and publications of 93 not-for-profit or governmental organizations. An alphabetical table of contents by association and a subject index help the user to locate associations involved in and disseminating information on FAS, among other alcohol-oriented topics. Although this source is six years old, no other source brings these types of organizations together in one volume.


Over one hundred serials are listed, alphabetically by title, under 'Drug Abuse and Alcoholism' in this international guide to serial publications. Although none specifically focus on FAS, nor more specifically on Native Americans and FAS, it is a valuable
source for locating the address, phone number, circulation, cost and focus of publications on alcohol-related issues. Government publications, technical and annual reports, medical and other journals, clearinghouses, are listed. This work is valuable for locating sources commonly known to contain articles on FAS, including those pertaining to Native American Communities. Also supplied is data on where these publications are indexed and abstracted.

ENCyclopediaAS:


Intermediate level signed essays relevant to topics on alcoholism and alcohol-related effects such as FAS, as well as articles relating to pregnancy and pre/postnatal development, can be found in this encyclopedia. Cross references to significant related topics are provided. Articles are arranged alphabetically. Volume 20, the final volume, is a subject index to the encyclopedia. Bibliographies can be found at the end of essays as aids to more in-depth study. A fine source for general overviews on these issues.


This subject-specific encyclopedia contains brief articles designed to acquaint the reader with the terminology of alcoholism. The work, co-authored by the founding director of the NIAAA, offers concise, introductory material on FAS, among other terms possibly useful to FAS research. In a controversial preface, Chafetz warns against a potential alarmist attitude toward drinking wrought by those concerned with alcohol-related conditions of the magnitude of FAS.

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS:


The NIAAA produces this pamphlet of quick facts on FAS. Included are descriptions of FAS, facts on the prevalence of FAS with specific reference to Native American populations, susceptibility to FAS, and effects of moderate alcohol consumption during pregnancy. This is a brief, to the point introduction to the
syndrome. NCADI, the National Clearinghouse of Alcohol and Drug Information, is listed with full directory information, as a source for further study.


Program directors and planners will find practical information for implementing FAS and other alcohol-related birth defects (ARBD) awareness programs at community levels, by modeling them on existing local, state and national programs. Following a general overview on FAS and ARBD, the reader will find information describing strategies for planning a prevention program. Appendices comprise the final third of the manual. State campaign coordinators, special population groups such as low-income women or Native Americans with FAS, and organizations are listed here. The presentation is logical and clear, and leads the reader through a series of steps designed to aid in the creation of much needed FAS/ARBD help groups. A bibliography is included.


This manual, which targets "those involved in giving care and providing services to adolescents and adults with FAS" (introduction, 1) in Native American communities, is a research report derived from a study which diagnosed 61 FAS/FAE (Fetal Alcohol Effect) Native Americans past young childhood. Streissguth—an eminent researcher in the FAS field and frequently cited by others writing FAS literature—presents general background information on FAS, describes the research report, and offers recommendations for aiding this particular FAS group. The work is compact, well-written. Charts and black and white photographs are provided to illustrate its content. A bibliography of 40 selected sources is helpful for further reading on the topic.


This document contains the transcripts of the 1990 hearing on FAS before Congress, which attempt to "call attention to the prevalence and effects of prenatal exposure to alcohol" (Sen.
Moynihan). Witnesses of special note include Michael Dorris, author of The Broken Cord; Jeaneen Grey Eagle, Director of Project Recovery at Pine Ridge Reservation, S.D.; and Jack Trope, staff attorney for the Association on American Indian Affairs in New York. These transcripts record the opinions, viewpoints, and statements of fact, including statistical data, of a broad spectrum of individuals and groups involved with FAS. Issues, as well as projected governmental involvement in the FAS crisis, are presented.

INDEXES:


The print version Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature has its computerized twin in CINAHL. Indexed in this database are articles from the majority of the English-language journals of nursing, in addition to journals representing thirteen other health-oriented fields. CINAHL offers a thesaurus for accessing controlled vocabulary search terms. Successful terms on the topic of FAS and Native Americans are "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome" and "American Indians". Omission of the second search term will produce a list of recent citations for FAS that are non-specific to Native Americans.


Medline is the National Library of Medicine's online database, holding the bibliographic citations of Index Medicus, and including select citations from the Index to Dental Literature, and the International Nursing Index. Indexed topics include health care, anatomy, diseases, biological and physical sciences, social sciences, chemical and drugs, selected from a total of 3200 national and international journals. Fifty percent of all citations are abstracted, frequently by the author of the original article. "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome" entered as a search term produces a sizable list of current citations on the topic, with emphasis on medical implications.


Psychology and psychology-related citations are indexed from over 1300 international journals in 27 languages and are entered into PsychINFO, the parent database for PsycLit. Citations and abstracts of articles on FAS and Native Americans are available through this database, from publications representing a psycho-social perspective. PsycLit operates on a controlled vocabulary
via a print media or online thesaurus. "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome" and "American Indians" supply an abundance of relevant citations.


Sociology and sociology-related articles in disciplines such as education, anthropology, economics, philosophy and social psychology are cited and abstracted in this database. Scanned for inclusion are "1600 journals in 30 different languages from about 55 countries" (online/onscreen introduction to Sociofile). Sociofile articles, not unlike those found in PsycLit, emphasize the sociological, demographic and generally non-medical aspects of FAS. Citations for FAS specific to Native Americans can be found, however, Sociofile has more current citations on FAS in general. Search terms from a controlled vocabulary are "Fetal Alcohol Syndrome" and "American Indians".

**BOOKS:**


Abel presents the most recent clinical data available on FAS and FAE (Fetal Alcohol Effects). The first half of the book discusses the many facets of FAS by reviewing the clinical information of 500-plus FAS cases laid out in the appendices comprising the second half of the book. Although it contains an abundance of medical terminology, this material is readable and likely of great value to those in health-related or research professions. Abel is of renown in the FAS field of study. A 23 page bibliography concludes the work.


This is the absorbing and affecting personal account of Michael Dorris and Adam, his adopted Native American son and a FAS child. The father's journey toward an understanding of the nature of his son's defects is beautifully constructed, written with eloquence and feeling. Dorris provides a significant body of information on FAS, on its effect on Native American communities. An intimate, eminently readable book. Dorris supplies the reader with an extremely useful bibliography, and highlights four sources he found to be of particular value.

It is common to find this work in the bibliographies of current FAS literature. The book covers a wide range of basic information on alcohol drinking during pregnancy and on its effects on the fetus. Plant furnishes data on studies involving alcohol consumption during pregnancy, outcome of such pregnancies, and follow-up on the babies of women who drank while pregnant. Interpretations of the results of these studies are included. A forty page bibliography concludes the volume.


FAS is treated from many perspectives--historical, medical, technical, methodological--and in an economy of language, comprehensible to the general audience. It is self-described as a scholarly work, "yet practical in scope" and which contains "much sound advise". The authors were, respectively, medical and program director of the Fetal Alcohol Education Program at Boston University School of Medicine at the time this book went to press. It contains a sizable bibliography.

VIDEO:


The effects of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and its impact on victims and their families are the focus of this edition of "20/20", an ABC production reported by Tom Jarriel. Several families with a young adult FAS member are profiled, including Michael Dorris, Louise Erdrich and Adam, their adopted Native American son. The video explores FAS from the various perspectives of health care professionals, parents and FAS victims, with contributing remarks from experts in FAS research. This is a valuable, personal introduction to FAS, produced three years following the labeling of the syndrome.
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) describes a characteristic range of birth defects that result from the consumption of alcohol during pregnancy. As alcoholism is a prevailing problem in Native American communities, incidence of FAS is high and of great concern.

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**ENCYCLOPEDIAS, DICTIONARIES AND INTRODUCTORY MATERIALS...**
are helpful for establishing a basic working definition of the topic.

Introductory essay on FAS in volume 7, pages 89-90. See the subject index in volume 20 for locations of other alcohol-related topics.

Four page quick fact pamphlet introducing and defining FAS.

Brief one paragraph to one page articles designed to acquaint you with FAS and other alcohol-related terminology.

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**VIDEOTAPES...**
can provide a uniquely effective and highly informative introduction to the topic.

What's wrong with my child?. 1976. 26 minute videocassette (VHS).
Deerfield, Illinois: MTI Film and Video.
The impact of FAS on victims and families is the focus of this edition of "20/20" on videotape.

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**BOOKS...**
can be located through your library's online or card catalog and are good sources to deepen your understanding of the topic.

The most recent clinical data available on FAS.

The personal account of a man and his Native American FAS child.
GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS...provide detailed, informative materials pertinent to Native Americans with FAS.

Background, research and recommendations on FAS among Native Americans.

Transcripts of the 1990 hearing on FAS, with emphasis on Native Americans.

BIBLIOGRAPHIES...contained in the other sources and bibliographies published individually on the topic will list materials for further study.

Bibliography compiled by a well-known FAS researcher.

INDEXES...lead to the most current articles on the topic.

Online database listing articles on FAS published in medical journals.

Online database of psychology and related journals of relevance to the topic.

DIRECTORIES...supply publications, associations and individuals to contact for further information.

Complete listing of U.S. organizations concerned with alcohol-related issues.

Birmingham, Alabama: EBSCO Publishing.
A subject list of serials in which current articles on FAS are found.

ORGANIZATIONS...

National Clearinghouse of Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)
Box 2345, Rockville, Maryland 20852, (301) 468-2600
Make available bibliographies and other materials on FAS and Native Americans.

NEED MORE INFORMATION? ASK A LIBRARIAN.
Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, or AIDS, is a fatal disease caused by the HIV virus which leaves the immune system unable to combat opportunistic diseases. The HIV virus is transmitted through body fluids, most commonly from saliva or tears to blood, or from blood to blood. Sexual contact with an infected person and sharing contaminated hypodermic needles are the most common ways the disease is spread.

Homosexuals and bisexuals, heterosexual partners of HIV-infected persons, intravenous drug users and other substance abusers, prostitutes of both genders, and anyone not practicing safe sex or not educated in safe sex practices, are considered high risk for becoming infected with the HIV virus.

Native Americans are in all AIDS high-risk groups, with a high percentage of IV drug users, alcoholics, homosexuals and bisexuals. They have, as well, a high incidence of other health problems that may speed the development of AIDS, such as diabetes and poor diet, and have inferior access to health care. They are the least educated population in the United States and are less likely than other populations to learn safe sex practices/facts about AIDS.

In addition to its presence in urban Native American populations, AIDS has reached the most remote Native American communities. In 1989 an estimated two percent of the total Native American population in the United States was infected with the HIV virus. Native Americans diagnosed with AIDS lack support services, guidance and treatment available to other populations.

This pathfinder is designed to provide information on Native Americans and AIDS through the resources available in a large academic library. The selection of resources reflect the possible interests of the attenders of the Conference on Native Americans with Disabilities, June 1992. These interests include:

1. materials on AIDS and its history for a general audience
2. materials providing the most current information on the rapidly changing
issues of AIDS

3. materials providing direction to other AIDS information tools both inside and outside the library environment

4. materials specifically addressing Native Americans with AIDS

Sources include general reference tools such as dictionaries, introductory works, and compilations for general information; online databases and subject specific magazines for the most current information; visual resource guides, bibliographies, handbooks and directories for locating other resources on AIDS; and resources specific to Native Americans and AIDS.

Methodology:

UTCAT Plus, the online catalog of the University of Texas at Austin was searched under "Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome" and "Indians of North America" combined with various health-related subheadings for books, magazines, and government documents. Directories and handbooks found through UTCAT Plus were used to locate other relevant materials, such as videocassettes and organizations. CD-ROM products were scanned for current article citations. Resources were selected for currency; most were published after 1990, and no sources are included that were published before 1989. No highly technical or medical materials are included.
BIBLIOGRAPHY

BIBLIOGRAPHIES:


Designed to gather on a regular, periodic basis "the most significant material covering all aspects of the AIDS crisis", this semi-annual publication cites approximately 500 articles on AIDS and related issues. The social, ethical, and scientific aspects of AIDS are emphasized. Citations are annotated and articles considered the most useful are indicated with boldface type. Articles are chosen for inclusion if readily available and readable by the general public. This source provides citations to some of the best literature being produced on AIDS issued in a given year. Together, the volumes in this series offer a chronology of the literature produced on the AIDS epidemic since 1985.


Almost 1000 journals are cited in this bibliography on AIDS and AIDS-related topics. The volume is divided into two sections. The first 300 page section lists citations by article title. The second 350 page section lists article citations in subject categories such as "Diagnosis", "Education", "Prevention", "Research", and "Treatment". This is a valuable source for tracking journal articles on the history of AIDS for the years 1981-1986. Included are a five page subject index and a twenty-five page author index.

BOOKS:


"The purpose of this book is to provide a one-stop source for reference information about AIDS" (viii). The book is divided into two parts. The first 115 pages offer an overview of the AIDS epidemic, including a chronology of important events in the history of the epidemic, significant AIDS court cases, and biographical sketches of notable persons involved in the history of the AIDS epidemic. The second part is an almost 100 page bibliography of AIDS sources covering a wide range of media. Materials were chosen for readability and availability. In addition, a directory of key AIDS organizations and associations is included, alphabetical by state.

This reader is intended to introduce, through a collection of essays, the essential concepts of the AIDS epidemic. The book is divided into six main sections, including the history of the virus, the sociology of the virus, health care, prevention, politics, and the community. Each section begins with an introductory overview by the editor and is followed by a series of essays by authors from a wide range of academic disciplines and professions. This is a valuable collection for gaining a basic understanding of the facts, debates and controversies surrounding AIDS.

DICTIONARIES:


This dictionary of medical terminology contains definitions of AIDS, HIV and AIDS-related complex, presented clearly and with detailed descriptions of diagnosis, mode of transmission, high risk groups, prevention, and treatment. Definitions are not technical or difficult to understand. Rather, they are designed to make the topic clear to the general reader. This is a good introductory source for basic information on the topic.

DIRECTORIES:


This source provides numerous listings for organizations and associations dealing with health, funding, and AIDS, as well as Native American associations that may offer support and assistance to persons with AIDS. The name/keyword in volume 3 of this source, under "AIDS", "Native American", and "Indian", provides references to many associations' entries in the first two volumes. The address, founding date, phone number, and contact person, among other information, is supplied through this directory.


The over 1700 sources listed in this book were reviewed and evaluated by experts in AIDS, education, and related fields. Source information was obtained through a national survey conducted by AmFAR, and is listed by subject category, such as "Black Community", "Children and Adolescents", "IV Drug Users" and "Women". Entries include all pertinent identifying information, including title, type of work (book, film, brochure,
etc.), price, and ordering information. The experts evaluatively annotate each work. Works reviewed but not recommended are also listed, but without full directory information. A 37 page reference bibliography is provided for further study. In addition, the source contains a 30 page directory of both national and international organizations, agencies, producers, and distributors of information on AIDS. A unique feature of this resource is an index of sources in non-English languages.


The purpose of this sourcebook is to disseminate information to the general public about AIDS and the educational resources available on AIDS. It is primarily a directory, alphabetical by state and city, of organizations that focus on public education on AIDS issues. Many organizations included in this sourcebook publish or distribute literature. Full directory information on each organization is provided, including contact person, languages spoken, and available literature. Also included in the sourcebook are a chronology of the AIDS epidemic, an appendix of AIDS statistics, a glossary of terms, and a 45 page bibliography of AIDS-related literature. The bibliography is divided into type of material, such as books, bibliographies, periodicals, audiovisual sources, curriculum/educational programs, directories, and fiction, among others. This source lists organizations for Native Americans with AIDS as well as other minority AIDS organizations.


Grant-seekers will find this guide invaluable for locating a wide variety of support funding for AIDS/HIV programs, projects and services. Listed in this guide are almost 450 foundations, 55 charities, and 49 corporate gift programs that currently grant funds to AIDS programs or have expressed significant interest in doing so in the future. The guide provides step-by-step advice on locating funding from these organizations for AIDS/HIV programs. Entries are arranged alphabetically by state and funder. Each entry can have up to 28 specific components, including grants paid, application information, and recent grants for AIDS awarded. A two page bibliography of other AIDS funding literature is included.


NAIC's resource database contains 93 organizations that provide electronic information services, such as online sources,
databases and bulletin boards, that disseminate information on AIDS and related issues. Entries are alphabetical by name of producer and contain full directory information in addition to a detailed description of the database and its methods of access. Electronic media frequently contain the most current information available and will be of benefit when pursuing information on a disease with rapidly changing data.


This source is designed to serve as a desk reference for AIDS care providers, administrators and the general public. It is comprehensive at national, state, and county levels. The source provides full directory information for AIDS organizations throughout the country. Included in a separate section are detailed descriptions of several federal agencies and their role in the AIDS epidemic. This is a clear, well organized source with abundant detailed information for each state, county and city, as well as at the national level.


With the supplement, almost one hundred videos and films addressing AIDS and related issues are listed with detailed descriptive annotations in this source. Information on price, availability, length and producer is also included. Full directory information is supplied for all distributors. This guide also recommends the audience for which the film/video is best suited, examples being "women", "youth", "activists", "fundraising" and "parents groups". In addition the source lists other organizations involved in AIDS-related audiovisual and educational materials.


Numerous serials are listed, alphabetically by title, under "AIDS" in this international guide to serial publications. Although none focus specifically on Native Americans with AIDS, it is valuable for locating the address, phone number, circulation, and cost of publications on AIDS in general. Also supplied is data on where these publications are indexed and abstracted. Government publications, technical and annual reports, medical and other journals, and clearinghouses are listed.
GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS:


Recommendations for the best action to take concerning the many aspects of AIDS in America are made by the Commission in this report. Chapters discuss prevention and education, care for persons with AIDS, financing health care, and governmental responsibility in the AIDS crisis. Each chapter concludes with the recommendations and a one to five page bibliography of selected sources for further study on the topic addressed in the chapter. This is a good, general source for an overview of AIDS related topics.


This report provides detailed, current information on federal assistance programs for Native Americans, as well as information necessary to gain access to those programs. Fifteen pages are devoted to detailed instructions for gaining assistance from the Department of Health and Human Services and Indian Health Services. This is likely the best source to understand the availability of federal assistance to Native Americans with AIDS, and of eligibility of tribe or individual to receive that assistance.

HANDBOOKS:


The goal of this reference source is to point to "key access points" for information on AIDS. Chapters treat organizational resources; health departments; research institutions, grant funding sources, and federal agencies; hotlines; computerized sources of information; print sources of information; and audiovisual producers. This is a good, general starting point for finding necessary information on AIDS and related issues.


This handbook provides crucial information for PWAs (Persons With AIDS) on income, health, and housing disability entitlement. Each chapter treats a particular agency, such as Social Security
Disability Insurance, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or Veterans Administration Benefits, and informs the reader how to get assistance as a PWA from the agencies. The text of approximately twenty agencies is followed by 14 appendices that include sample reports, forms, general statistics on AIDS and government agencies, and organizations, among others. A ten page glossary of terms allows the reader to become familiar with the acronyms and terminology necessary to get help from these agencies. An annotated, 15 page bibliography directs the user to sources for further help.

INDEXES:


The U.S. Department of Education sponsors this database comprised of sixteen clearinghouses with subject specialties in education. ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) has two primary files. The first, RIE (Resources In Education) indexes document citations and the second, CIJE (Current Index to Journals in Education) indexes article citations from 750 professional journals in education. "AIDS" and/or "Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome" provide, as search terms in this database, numerous article citations non-specific to Native Americans. "American Indian" used as a search term in combination with the other terms will provide several articles specific to Native Americans with AIDS.


Medline is the National Library of Medicine's online database, holding the bibliographic citations of Index Medicus, and including select citations from the Index to Dental Literature, and the International Nursing Index. Indexed topics include health care, anatomy, diseases, biological and physical sciences, social sciences, chemicals and drugs, selected from a total of 3200 national and international journals. Fifty percent of all citations are abstracted, frequently by the author of the original article. "AIDS" and/or "Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome" used as search terms produce a large number of current citations on the topic. Although many of the citations represent highly technical or medical articles, a significant number are also listed for general reading.

MAGAZINES:

AIDS patient care. 1987-. New York: Mary Ann Liebert, Inc.

This bi-monthly journal publication is "devoted exclusively to issues involving the diagnosis, treatment, care and prevention of HIV disease". Articles cover many disciplines that are involved in some manner in combatting the AIDS crisis. Article types
include research reports, personal commentary, case reports, in-depth analyses and reviews. Articles are readable by a general audience. Not all articles treat medical aspects of the disease; legal, ethical, political and social issues are included as well. This subject specific periodical will be of use in keeping up to date on the most recent issues and data concerning AIDS.

**SOURCES FOR WOMEN:**


This sourcebook provides reference resources, with summary annotations, on women and AIDS. Books, pamphlets, articles both popular and academic, public documents, and research reports are included. Emphasis is placed on materials addressing special populations of women—lesbians, minority women, incarcerated women, and prostitutes. Statistical tables accompany subject-specific chapters of reference sources. Examples of chapters are "Heterosexually Transmitted AIDS", "Transmission Through IV Drug Use: and "Women of Color and AIDS". Chapters present one to two pages of factual information followed by 20-40 selected reference sources. Four appendices are included that supply directory information on audiovisual sources and national and state AIDS organizations that focus on AIDS and women. Sources are chosen for inclusion if readily available and readable by the general population.

**VIDEOS:**


This brief video focuses on Carol Lafavor, an American Indian woman with AIDS, whose "mission" is to talk to people about AIDS in hopes of preventing others from becoming infected with the virus. Lafavor and others, including Lori K. Beaulieu of the Minnesota American Indian AIDS Task Force, discuss both personal and clinical aspects of AIDS and AIDS transmission. Lafavor believes AIDS to be the greatest challenge ever faced by native peoples and warns against ignorance and hysteria in native communities. She claims reservations need a special awareness of Native Americans with AIDS as Indians will return home from cities and other locations to die.
What is AIDS?

This medical dictionary provides a good, basic definition of AIDS.

What are the facts about AIDS?

A collection of essays on the essential concepts of the AIDS epidemic.

A one-stop source for reference information on AIDS.

A good source for a general overview of AIDS and AIDS-related topics.

What is the most current information on AIDS?

Online educational database listing recent articles on AIDS and Native Americans.

Online database listing current articles on AIDS published in medical journals.

What magazines are published on AIDS?

Listed under "AIDS" are a wide variety of available serial publications.

AIDS patient care. 1987-. New York: Mary Ann Liebert, Inc.
Bi-monthly magazine devoted to AIDS and AIDS-related issues.

What visual resources are available on AIDS?

A video on Carol Lafavor, a Native American woman with AIDS.

Listed are almost 100 videos and films on AIDS and related issues.
What resources lead to further study on AIDS?

Semi-annual publication lists and annotates the 500 most important articles
on AIDS and related issues.

Learning AIDS: An information resources directory. 1989. 2nd ed. New
Lists and annotates 1700 information resources on AIDS, such as books,
audiovisual sources, brochures and pamphlets.

about AIDS. New York: Harrington Park Press.
Points to "key access points" for information on AIDS, such as government
agencies, health departments, and sources for AIDS literature.

What information is available on assistance to persons with AIDS?

Murphy, Edward C. 1991. AIDS funding: A guide to giving by foundations
and charitable organizations. The Foundation Center.
Invaluable for locating a wide variety of support funding for AIDS programs,
projects and services.

University Press.
Provides information for persons with AIDS on income, health, and housing
disability entitlement for many government agencies and programs.

of assistance to Native Americans. Washington, D.C.: GPO.
Detailed, current information on federal health service and other assistance
programs for Native Americans.

What resources list AIDS organizations?

Malinowsky, Robert H. and Gerald J. Perry, eds. 1991. AIDS information
A directory of organizations that focus on public education on AIDS.

Hammrich and Jeanette M. Dunn, Publishers.
A comprehensive directory listing AIDS organizations at national, state,
county, and city levels.

Native American AIDS Organizations

National Native American AIDS Prevention Center
3515 Grande Ave., Suite 100
Oakland, CA 94610
(510) 444-2051; (800) 283-2437 -- Native American AIDS Hotline
Offers assistance in training, technical and information services to Native
Americans in the United States.

NEED FURTHER ASSISTANCE? ASK A LIBRARIAN.
Locating Information on Native Americans with Diabetes and Visual Impairments: A Pathfinder
by
Craig R. Dowell

INTRODUCTION

Native Americans currently make up about one percent of the total United States population. Health care for this population has remained inadequate, and Native Americans today suffer the worst health of any minority in the country.

One of the largest problems facing Native Americans today is diabetes. In 1988, the age adjusted mortality rate for diabetes mellitus was 2.6 times the U.S. average or 155 percent greater than the U.S. All Races population. Diabetes was rare in Indian tribes prior to 1940; by 1989, half of all Pima Indians over age 35 were afflicted. While genetic predisposition most certainly puts an individual at risk for the disease, other risk factors are poor nutrition and obesity. In 1989, more than 2,000 American Indians from 15 tribes were screened and 77 percent of them were labeled as obese.

People who suffer from diabetes can improve their condition through increased awareness of their disease and through better nutrition, weight loss and exercise. Health care providers can provide better and more appropriate service to their diabetic clients through increased awareness of Indian culture and tradition. This pathfinder will attempt to guide Native Americans toward sources that will help them understand their illness, and will guide health service providers, researchers, administrators and other interested individuals into the broad field of health care for Native Americans.
and toward current and relevant information on diabetes and visual
impairment.

In order to meet the information needs of such a variety of
individuals, sources included in this pathfinder range from
introductory information for those new to the field of Indian health
care to detailed guidelines for health care programs for experienced
Indian health care providers. Sources will answer a range of
questions such as "What is diabetes?" "What foods should diabetics
avoid?" and "What sources are available to educate people about
diabetes?"

The sources presented in this pathfinder were all located at
the General Libraries at The University of Texas at Austin (UT) but
this search can be duplicated at any large academic library.
Searching the Library of Congress Subject Headings, I found that
information regarding Native Americans is listed under the heading
"Indians of North America." I then searched UTCAT, the online
catalog of the General Libraries, searching various subheadings such
as "--Health and Hygiene" and "--Medical Care." I compiled a list of
possible sources and located several government documents through
shelf browsing.

Sources were selected using several criteria. Sources needed
to be readily available for examination. I also wanted to include the
most current information available, particularly regarding statistics,
so most of the sources selected for inclusion were published after
1984. Ease of use was another consideration. In this instance, I
looked for works with detailed indexes or tables of contents that
would facilitate access to the information contained in the source. I
also performed searches on ERIC and other electronic indexes in order to determine the availability of current journal articles. Titles and abstracts were helpful in determining relevancy to the topic, and UTCAT proved helpful for locating those items in the collection.

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3 Ibid.
4 Ibid.
I. STYLE MANUALS:


II. GENERAL SOURCES:


An alphabetical listing of the official subject headings created by and used in the Library of Congress for cataloging purposes. Look under the main heading "Indians of North America" for appropriate subheadings.


An alphabetical listing of books in print, arranged by subject, according to Library of Congress Subject Headings. Search here for books which may be found in your library, or acquired through inter library loan. Look under "Indians of North America—Health and hygiene" for a list of books on the topic of Indian health.


Indexes and describes all types of associations, both national and international, in all fields of work and leisure. Provides phone numbers, addresses, names of contact people, history and publications of the organization. A good place to search for information on organizations that may be able to provide help, information or support, such as the National Indian Health Board of
Denver, CO. Provides descriptive listings, indexes, as well as name and keyword indexes. Access these associations through the term "American Indians."


Organizations of, for and about Native Americans, covering aspects of daily life, government agencies and education. Use this source to find titles and addresses of associations for and relating to Native Americans, such as The American Health Care Association of St. Paul, MN. Includes bibliographies, arranged alphabetically and by subject; Audio/Visual sources, such as "Hunger in America," which deals with hunger and malnutrition among the Navajo Indians of Arizona; a Publishers Index; and Biographies. An excellent classed table of contents makes this source easy to use.


An excellent exploration of the health care crisis facing Native Americans, provides background and historical information on the health status of the Indian nation. Also provides statistical information on major health concerns of Native Americans, including diabetes and alcoholism. Illustrates the United States Government's failure to provide adequate health care. An excellent starting point for those unfamiliar with the status of Indian health care.

III. JOURNAL ARTICLES:


Examines stresses placed on Native Americans by rehabilitative personnel and advocates due to lack of understanding of Indian culture and family values and the difficulties incurred by Indians because of this ignorance. An excellent source for information on the development of culturally relevant services to
the visually impaired and those otherwise disabled. This particular issue of the *Journal* is devoted exclusively to American Indian topics.


Explores special concerns for health care providers in dealing with Native Americans with health problems, including visual impairments. This source suggests methods for improving communication and understanding, fostering deeper sensitivity of Indian culture and concerns, especially when dealing with health issues. This issue of the *Journal* is devoted exclusively to Native American topics.

IV. GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS:


Offers information on advocacy organizations, directories and other publications that list agencies, services and resources, and state agencies which administer special education and rehabilitative services. Provides addresses and phone numbers of organizations and descriptions of the services they provide, and lists publications of such organizations. Provides bibliographic information for directories and other publications that list agencies, services and resources. Lists state agencies alphabetically by state that offer special education and rehabilitative services.


Provides basic statistical information regarding health trends in Native Americans for the year and identifies historical trends. This source provides numerous tables and charts of statistics regarding population, infant and general mortality and community health. Draws comparisons with other populations.
detailed table of contents facilitates access to statistics of interest to the user. Look especially for "Age-Adjusted Diabetes Mellitus Deaths and Mortality Rates," "Diabetes Mellitus Deaths and Mortality Rates" and "Leading Causes of Hospitalization."


Although somewhat dated, a comprehensive list of programs, contact persons and phone numbers of numerous clinical and administrative support programs for clinicians, such as "Physician Recruitment, Retention and Support Branch." Describes Indian Health Service and government agency programs, as well as Native American Health Organizations. Look here to find the names of programs, contact persons, addresses, phone numbers, description of programs and services provided by them. A detailed table of contents and subject index facilitates use. In the table of contents, look for "Diabetes Program" and "Diabetes Control Program" under the heading "Clinical Support Programs." In the index, look for "Diabetic Consultants" and "Diabetic Training."


Describes various kinds of materials concerning diabetes nutrition education for American Indians and Alaska Natives. Designed for dietitians, to expand their awareness of nutrition educational materials. This source provides an overview of particular sources, patient comments, likes and dislikes, teaching tips, suggestions for presentation and adjustment, and ordering information. It encourages dietitians to expand their teaching techniques and serves as an example of how to review and evaluate other teaching materials. Provides a "grid" to aid dietitians in identifying materials covering a specific topic, or at a particular level of difficulty.

Offers a brief description of diabetes and how it can be managed through diet. Written specifically for Native Americans, this source offers tips for weight loss, and briefly discusses fat levels in meat and dairy products. Offers suggestions as to which foods to avoid, as well as those to eat most often. Stresses importance of fiber in the diet. Encourages avoidance of alcohol and foods high in sugar. Simply written, avoids technical jargon.


A brief, illustrated booklet which defines gestational diabetes, and how it can affect pregnancy. See this source for information specifically written for pregnant Native American women regarding diet and exercise. Stresses the importance of medical supervision before, during and after the pregnancy. A good source for expectant mothers, it avoids technical jargon and is easy to read.

V. ELECTRONIC CD-ROM INDEXES:


Covers subjects in nursing and allied health from 1983 through December 1991. A good source for locating titles and abstracts of current articles on Native Americans and Diabetes. Not helpful for articles on visual impairment. Index terms to search include "Native Americans" or "American Indians" and "Diabetes." Be sure to check the CINAHL thesaurus for other relevant search terms.


Covers subjects in education and library and information science. An excellent source for locating titles and abstracts of current articles on diabetes and visual impairments in Native Americans. Search under terms such as "American Indian Studies" or "American Indians" and "Diabetes" or "Visual impairments" or "Blindness." Other relevant search terms can be located in the ERIC thesaurus.
**MedLine**: 1983-present. SilverPlatter 2.01.

Covers subjects in medicine, nursing, dentistry, and public and environmental health. An excellent source for locating titles and abstracts of current articles on diabetes in Native Americans. A good source for information concerning visual impairment also. Use search terms such as "Indians, North American" and "Diabetes, gestational" or "Diabetes mellitus" or "Blindness" or "Vision disorders" or "Vision screening." The *Medical Subject Headings List* will contain other search terms as well.

**PAIS (Public Affairs Information Service) International**: 1972-present. SilverPlatter 2.01.

Covers public affairs, political science, social sciences and government. One of the least helpful indexes I searched. Located one article titled "Hunger and Nutrition Problems Among Native Americans" which was related to the diabetes aspect of the topic. Search terms included "Indians" and "Diabetes." Check the *PAIS* thesaurus for other terms.


Covers topics in psychology. A marginally helpful index, a searcher should still check for the sake of thoroughness. Indexes a few articles on diabetes and visual impairment. Use search terms such as "American Indians" and "Diabetes" or "Diabetes mellitus" or "Visually handicapped" or "Visual perception." Other search terms can be located in the thesaurus.

**Sociofile**: 1974-December 1991. SilverPlatter 2.01.

Covers topics in sociology, social planning and policy. Like *PAIS*, was not very helpful regarding the topic. A single article titled "The Changing Dimension of Native American Health" was found which was related to the diabetes aspect of the topic. Search terms included "American Indians" and "Diabetes." As always, check the thesaurus for other terms.

**VI. UNION LISTS:**

A national union list of newspapers and periodicals either edited or published by American Indians or Alaska Natives. Useful for locating bibliographic information of sources located in an electronic index. Somewhat more current than *Native American Periodicals and Newspapers* (see below), but does not list all holding institutions. Titles are arranged alphabetically, for ease in locating a specific periodical. Also provides titles listed chronologically by original publication date, and by state holding location, for use in a specific geographical area.


A national union list of American Indian periodicals and newspapers, from 1828 to 1982. Useful for locating full bibliographic information of sources located in one of the electronic indexes, as well as holding institutions. Dictionary arrangement, by title, facilitates use. Also provides subject and geographical indexes, as well as a "catchword" index.


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Where do I start?

Those unfamiliar with the issue of Indian health should see 


This hour-long video focuses on major health concerns of Native Americans including alcoholism and diabetes, and illustrates the United States Government's failure to provide the Indians with adequate health care.

Another excellent source is


This government document provides concise statistical information regarding health trends in Native Americans for the year, and compares these statistics with other population groups.

How do I find out what sources my library has?

Begin with the Library of Congress Subject Headings. Information will be indexed under "Indians of North America," with numerous sub-headings. The most useful subheadings were "--Diseases," "--Health and Hygiene" and "--Medical Care." Be sure to check other terms you might think are appropriate.

Next, go to your library's card or online catalog and search by subject, using the Library of Congress Subject Headings. Write down call numbers and titles of books that seem appropriate.

What if my library doesn't have any books on the subject, or the books are not on the shelf?

Try Subject Guide to Books in Print. Look under Library of Congress Subject Heading terms, and have your librarian arrange an inter library loan to allow you to borrow these books from other libraries.
How can I find journal articles on the topic?

Try searching CD-ROM indexes like ERIC and MedLine. Try search terms such as "American Indians" and "Diabetes" for ERIC, and "Indians, North American" and "Diabetes mellitus" for MedLine. Remember that search terms vary by index, so be sure to check the index's search term list, called a thesaurus.

Are there sources written for Native Americans with diabetes?

Yes. Two very good sources are


Are there sources for professional health care providers?

By all means.


This source has a comprehensive list of programs and services for health care providers. Note especially the Diabetes and Diabetes Control Programs listed in the table of contents. Also, the April 1987 issue of the Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness is devoted exclusively to Native American topics and means of culturally appropriate treatment.
Are there organizations that can help?

Certainly. Look in the Encyclopedia of Associations under "American Indians." You'll find many organizations that can provide information or assistance like the "National Indian Health Board", P. O. Box 6940, Denver, CO 80206, (303) 270-5598. This organization advocates improvement of health conditions for Indians, and seeks to inform the public of Indian health concerns.

IF YOU NEED FURTHER HELP, SEE YOUR LIBRARIAN
Native Americans and Alcohol Abuse: A Guide to Searching the Literature
by
Mike Steckel

In 1975, among Native Americans, alcohol related deaths were six and one half times the national rate, the suicide rate was two and a half times higher than that of the general population and even higher among youth, around half of the adult population was chemically dependent, and over 50 percent of Native Americans surveyed, "had immediate-family problems due to drinking" (Dorris, p.86-7).

This Pathfinder aims to help the reader understand Native American alcoholism in a variety of ways. Sources of information are included for those who are attending the National Conference on American Indians and are unfamiliar with the problem and would like to know more, as well as for attendees who may be already working with Native Americans as health care professionals or researchers and would like to expand that knowledge. Topics placing Native American alcoholism within a larger context such as the general health status of the Native American population, underlying causes, or treatment of the individuals needed inclusion. Treatment was especially important since new ideas are developing involving methods growing out of the beliefs and lifestyles familiar to Native Americans.

A strict set of criteria is easily set in place because of the large number of materials published on the topic and many different kinds of sources could consequently be examined. For the most part, I tried to select sources that were produced from the mid-1970s to the present, within the bounds of the United States and Canada, and excluded sources devoted to particular tribal groups. People searching for this type of more specific literature can still find it easily by following the methods and sources outlined below. It is nearly impossible to divide the United
States from Canada on this topic, so they remain together. This large geographical area was important since people from all over the country may be attending in Arizona. Another limitation placed on information gathering was availability on the campus of The University of Texas at Austin, however, sources chosen may be found in any major academic library.

I began by using the university on-line catalog, UTCAT, to identify specific books, as well as which journals had recurring mention of the problem. For books, Library of Congress numbers E 98 (or E99 if one is looking for information on specific tribes) and Z 1209 are good places to begin browsing. Magazines such as Human Organization, Contemporary Drug Problems, and White Cloud also often covered the topic. I quickly discovered that it is easier to find sources on Native Americans and search for alcoholism or alcohol use as a subcategory within that source than it is to find sources primarily on alcoholism and look for material on Native Americans. After books and journals gathered from UTCAT, I searched bibliographies, indexes, and government documents to fill out areas such as health statistics for the population and treatment issues that had not been addressed.

Conference attendees may be interested in material from Native American's own point of view, especially on treatment. This is important because of the high rate of failure for treatment programs imposed from the outside the community, and this type of information is needed for health care professionals. Literature on Native Americans seems to be producing important studies on drinking attitudes among youth and intervention needs for treatment and this would be where the conference examination of “assistive” or “low-technology” fits into this topic. This is a good trend in that it moves from descriptive materials common in mid-1970s and early 1980s to more consideration of the roots of the problem, and, ultimately, it is these roots that need to be examined and improved.
BIBLIOGRAPHY

Citation Manual:

A listing of over 1,000 newspapers and periodicals about or by Native Americans without subject limitations. Two periodicals are listed in the index as being about Native American Alcoholism in particular - number 402, Indian Alcohol Times and number 926, Shenabe Quai. The former has been since 1981 and the second ran from 1979 to 1981. Both are available from the State Historical Society of Wisconsin at Madison and ordering information is in the book. One could try interlibrary loan.

A chronology of the author's discovery of the depth of alcoholism within the Native American community, specifically Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, through becoming the adoptive parent of an FAS child. Chapter 6 (p.77) discusses the general problem of alcoholism, specifically within the Lakota community, including a historical account and some theories as to why the problem hits native Americans. Chapter 11 (p.171) gives some discussion of treatment. There is a very extensive bibliography at the end which is highly recommended for those researching this type of problem. Anyone who has an interest in the Native American people should read this book.

Finley, Britt, "Social Network Differences in Alcohol Use and Related Behaviors among Indian and Non-Indian Students, Grades 6-12," American Indian Culture and Research Journal (special issue on Native American Health), vol. 13, nos. 3-4, pp. 33-48. E 75 A5124
A specific article indexed in Sociofile and Sociological Abstracts that explored the relationship about the attitudes toward drinking in the two communities. Although the article focuses its research on children or young adults, the conclusions drawn about a higher tolerance within the Native American community towards drinking or drunken behavior are important to know for the tone of the topic as a whole in regards to adults.

A listing of organizations and publications of interest to Native Americans, including a list of reservation based Indian Alcoholism programs alphabetical by state (pp.137 - 144). A good way to find quick information.

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An introduction to the topic of research in Native American study, including general library methods, databases, call numbers, subject headings, classification systems, tools for using government documents, and other such "tips." A general bibliography of "Indian topics" and books on specific tribes are included at the end. There is not much on alcoholism, but it works as a stepping stone to the general topic of Native American studies.


This is a listing of a wide variety of organizations, centers of information, publications, and more on Native American interests. Pages 129 - 140 form a chapter called, "Native American Centers" that lists organizations providing services for Native American communities, including alcoholism treatment. However, those for treating alcoholism are not separated out from the rest so all must be skimmed.


This article, indexed in Sociofile, Sociological Abstracts, and Social Sciences Index, is not specifically on alcoholism, but on mental health counseling in general. The authors discuss why "traditional counseling" is not often sought and does not often work as being related to cultural differences between counselors, or their methods of intervention, and the "norms" of most Native American communities. Essential article for the issue of treatment, but not introductory.


This book is a bibliography on the topic of Native Americans and alcoholism with a comprehensive introductory chapter addressing issues of history, suicide, crime, and why the problem is so severe and including a literature review. If someone was interested in a particular aspect of the problem, there is a subject bibliography at the back that is well cross referenced. This book is not, however, particularly up to date.


A list of Dissertations on many topics, Alcoholism is covered in the index under "Alcohol Use" and "Alcoholism Treatment". A good tool for placing the topic within a large variety of contexts. Using the index is really the only way to find your way to topics of interest, but citations sometimes are only peripherally related.

The Authors of these seven articles are recent graduates of the Arizona State School of Social Work. Includes information on Alcohol and Native Americans almost exclusively within well researched, easy to read articles that include a separate bibliography for each one. It would help to have an index, but as it is, a reader simply has to read each article. It is not for beginners.


Reference work covering many topics related to the issue of alcoholism as a whole. Excellent, short introductory essay under “American Indians” giving historical background, graphs of alcoholism rates by sex and age, tables of mortality rates, death rates, attempts at explanations of why rates are so high, ways the Indian Health Service is trying to help, and short bibliography at the end. A very good starting point for someone newly or casually interested or needing quick and concise facts to form a quick overview of the topic.


This article also helps explore why treatment for alcoholism does not usually work for Native Americans and tries to establish a new method of intervention. A community program that included cultural identity as the foundation for substance abuse education helped formulate a different, more positive attitude toward drug use. Although this article is focused on young adults, its implications spread to intervention at all age levels.


An index for Sociology which has a CD-ROM version called Sociofile. Nonevaluative abstracts are listed for sociology as well as for related fields of study. Articles can be found by looking up “American Indians” in the Index and reading the titles (there are usually 20-25 so they are easily scanned) for those on alcoholism or alcoholism related topics. When using Sociofile, a Boolean combination of “American Indians” and “Alcoholism” turned up 39 hits on a wide variety of topics that included abstracts. Good source for currency and many articles on new and important areas of study such as treatment and youth trends.


A quarterly Wilson index of 353 periodicals for the social sciences listed by title and subject. Search terms for information related to this topic are “Indians of North America” with a sub-heading of either “Alcohol use” or “Alcoholism.” More general or popular titles than Sociological Abstracts. Good source for related topics such as alcoholism among minorities, health and hygiene, suicide, and economic conditions.
Economic and social problems for Native Americans who live in urban areas with special focus on education, housing and social services, and models of adjustment. Chapter 4 is entitled "Indian Health and Alcoholism" and begins by discussing how difficult it is for Indians to get adequate health care. The section on Alcoholism alone is short (pp. 56 - 63), but some useful, general statistics are offered with an extensive bibliography.

A small book with a large range of inclusion and a presentation style that is generally prosaic, placing the articles selected within a framework or an argument. Pages 39 - 44 discuss literature on "Alcohol Consumption" listing articles the author finds important, placing special emphasis on cultural meanings attached to alcohol.

A series of essays on a wide array of topics including analysis of Federal Programs, parent-child relationships, and family life showing the degeneration of Native American life in recent times. The fifth essay of the volume (pp. 22 - 29) is entitled, "'The Drunken Indian': Myths and Realities" and, although short, discusses myths about the problem of Alcoholism within the community of Native Americans and how the differences between that community and the larger American society often conflict in ways that are detrimental to the social image of Native Americans. Underneath the words, one can sense that the author is trying to dispel the notion that Native Americans are genetically predisposed to alcoholism.

A publication which tries to answer how healthy minority populations are, but gives almost no notice to Native Americans. However, the short mention with relation to alcohol is very good. Page 251 offers a good statistical overview of a chart (on page 265) showing a decline in alcoholism mortality during the period 1969-1986, although the rates of alcoholism are still over four times as high as the general population.

Published by the Department of Health and Human Services. This report explains how the IHS works to bring tribes together and what programs in various geographic areas offer what. Not much on alcoholism, but inclusion places the topic of the pathfinder within a larger context and could answer related questions.
Published by the Department of Health and Human Services in 1980, so one cannot be sure what is still available. Under the heading "alcoholism" in the subject index, 11 titles are listed, many only available to Native American communities. Ordering information, price, and a summary are also included.

Published by the Department of Health and Human Services, this is a listing of treatment and prevention programs broken down by state. Unfortunately, each entry must be skimmed along the bottom where specialties are listed to find the "AI" which means that particular program specializes in Native American treatment.

Published by the Indian Health Service and the Department of Health and Human services for the years 1989-1991. Covers specific programs and other ways Native Americans get health care and offers general health statistics, with alcohol statistics under the Community Health category. There is a written overview of Indian Health Programs and the rest is primarily charts and graphs on a variety of subjects.

This book takes as its starting point the rapid migration of Native Americans into urban areas in the 1960s and tries to examine many aspects of the topic. For the purposes of this topic, a chapter (pp. 275-311) called, "Drinking and Drunkenness among Urban Indians" examines possible reasons Native Americans drink, economic factors, backgrounds, psychological factors, social factors, conclusions, and a good bibliography up to the early 1970s.
A guide to introducing the topic of Native Americans and alcoholism and to strengthening basic knowledge to include research topics, health care, and treatment.

I don't know much about this topic. Where is a good place to start?

A good place to begin. Easy to read account of a father whose child has Fetal Alcohol Syndrome. He discusses the problem of Native American Alcoholism.

For a quick discussion of general, introductory facts under the heading "American Indians". Particularly good if looking to use this topic as a supplement to a related topic. If time doesn't permit reading the book above, this is an excellent place to start.

Mail, Patricia, and McDonald, David R. *Tulapai to Tokay.*
This book basically works as an introduction to an in-depth study of the problem by serving as a bibliography, but it has a good introduction to the topic.

Hass, Marilyn L. *Indians of North America: Methods and Sources for Library Research.*
This book also works as an introduction, but is more general in its scope. For those researching Native Americans in general or topics related to their alcoholism.

Now I would like the most current information including research. Where should I go?

*Social Sciences Index* - look under "Indians of North America"
Published four times a year, this lists many current articles that are usually very readable and intended for a general audience. Good for beginners.

*Sociological Abstracts*, which is also *Sociofile* on CD-ROM - look under "American Indians"
Similar to the Index above but much more scholarly and research oriented and most issues will have something on the topic.

Two periodicals listed here are specifically on Native American alcoholism, but many related topics are covered and ordering information is enclosed.

Mitchell, Wayne, and Galletti, Marie. *Native American Substance Abuse: An Anthology of Student Writings.*
A scholarly work that is somewhat outdated, but has a lot of good historical information and approaches to the study.

Why is the alcoholism problem so severe in the Native American community?
Currently, this is an unanswerable question, but each of the books below studies it, sometimes indirectly, by examining issues such as migration patterns to urban areas and the psychology involved in being Native American. Each book has its own context for the alcoholism problem.

Unger, Steven. *The Destruction of American Indian Families*.
Sorkin, Alan. *The Urban American Indian*.

**Are there statistics specifically on the general health of the Native American population?**

Yes, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has published the following reports and most of the other sources will have information with which to compare:

- Health Status of Minorities and Low Income Groups (HE 20.9302: M66/3/991)
- Indian Health Service Report - December 1989 (HE 20.9402:st 8)
- Trends in Indian Health (HE 20.9421:989)

**Where can I learn about new studies on intervention and treatment methods that seem to be working?**


**Are there lists of centers that specialize in alcoholism programs in my community?**

Yes, the following books contain information that includes alcohol treatment center listings alphabetical by state:

- Klein, Barry, T. *The Reference Encyclopedia of the American Indian*.
- Frazier, Gregory W. *The American Indian Index*.
Finding Assistive Devices for Disabled Native Americans:  
A Pathfinder  
by  
Coby Condrey

This pathfinder is an aid to finding resources in library collections concerning assistive technology for disabled Native Americans. I have divided the search for this topic into two areas of sources: those that identify assistive devices for the disabled and those that identify sources of financial assistance or other services and support for the disabled or for Native Americans. The latter sources were selected based on the inclusion of information about funding, either distinctly for Native Americans or for a more general audience (e.g. handicapped individuals, social service workers). All sources were selected based on the regional geographic focus being the United States, and on the inclusion of indexes, bibliographies or other tools aiding in the use of the source or directing the user to further information. I excluded those works that were published before 1980 and serials that currently have gone out of publication. I have attempted to include representative sources of various types: books, government publications, periodicals, indexes to periodical literature, on-line databases, and organizations.

Assistive technology is understood as devices specifically designed for use by persons who are blind, deaf, mute or mobility-impaired. Sources for information on assistive devices can be found in the form of product announcements and reviews in educational and scientific periodical literature, as databases of commercial product vendors and of information centers sponsored
by the federal government, and as monographs published by public and private interests. In the selection of sources for this area there is a focus on aids for daily living needs. The sources cited usually address multiple disabilities rather than one particular handicap.

Sources about financial assistance and other support generally describe organizations that provide funding to other organizations and to individual disabled persons or Native Americans, according to the association's mission and goals. Limitations of space require citation of fewer actual associations than of sources for associations; the associations included are but a few which may have funding for special needs or groups.

In order to locate the needed information, I searched the Library of Congress Subject Headings to determine the terms utilized by UTCAT (and other on-line public access catalogs). The most important terms are self-help devices for the disabled, handicapped and Indians of North America. In the catalog I checked under each of these terms for subdivisions such as services for, information services, medical care, appropriations, and scholarships, fellowships, etc. Other terms I identified as somewhat helpful were federal aid to handicapped services, grants-in-aid--United States, and rehabilitation.

I consulted with two social science librarians and a rehabilitative education specialist about this topic for further ideas on resources. From their recommendations and my inspection of the many sources in the libraries at the University of Texas,
I selected those that provided widest range of appropriate information or that gave explicit instructions in finding further information.
Assistive Technology for Native Americans

Select Bibliography

Sources Describing Assistive Devices

ABLEDATA. Newington, CT: Adaptive Equipment Center, Newington Children’s Hospital, 1988-. Available from BRS Information Technologies.

ABLEDATA is an on-line database containing information on rehabilitation products from more than 1,900 companies. Products featured can be for personal care, therapeutic, sensory, educational, vocational or transportational uses. A sample entry contains generic and brand names of products, the manufacturer, and the device’s availability, cost, description, and comments or evaluations. ABLEDATA Fact Sheets (product listings by category) are also available by mail from the Newington Children’s Hospital. Consult with the librarian to find out if BRS Information Technologies services are available at your institution.


A plethora of aids are described in this directory. The three major divisions of the work are a list of products with descriptions, a list of manufacturers with addresses, and a list of products according to state of manufacture. The products descriptions are not evaluative, but each entry has a subject designated in the margin. For example, “one handed writing board” has the designation Communication Device. Other subjects include Maintenance, Dressing, Mobility, Hygiene, Exercise, Recreation, Eating and Therapy.


The Handbook provides information on all types of make-it-yourself and order-from-manufacturer assistive devices. The final chapter addresses getting government money, jobs and basics for making devices oneself. Company names and addresses are located in the appendix at the end. A large bibliography, classified by disability, is provided.

Perry Castaneda Library
Indexes to Periodical Literature Covering Assistive Devices


The Educational Resources Information Center clearinghouses accumulate many formats of information in the education field for publication in Current Index to Journals in Education (Phoenix, Ariz.: Oryx, 1969-) or in Resources in Education (Phoenix, Ariz.: Oryx, 1975-). RIE covers non-periodical items such as conference proceedings or other fugitive materials which do not appear in periodical sources indexed by CIJE. ERIC provides this information to the public, upon request (sometimes there is a small fee) or on microfiche in the library. The index uses a system of classified search terms which can be found in the Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors (11th ed. Phoenix, AZ: Oryx, 1987.) Suggested terms for this topic are assistive devices, disabilities, American Indians and grants. This source is also available on-line through Dialog Information Services, Inc.


Index Medicus is published under the auspices of the National Library of Medicine and other governmental agencies to provide indexing of current medical literature by a vocabulary of medical subject headings. Terms indexed include handicapped, self help devices, rehabilitation and Indians, North American. It is available on-line as a part of the MEDLINE database through Dialog Information Services, Inc., Mead Data Central’s NEXIS database, and BRS Information Technologies.
Periodicals Concerned With Assistive Devices


The Rehabilitation Engineering Society of North America (RESNA) produces many informative sources on self help devices for the disabled. AT Quarterly includes a special column entitled Information Resources in each issue; this feature notes innovations in assistive technology, providing a brief description and a contact person or agency for the product. RESNA also publishes Rehabilitation Technology Review, a source which evaluates current self help devices.


NARIC Quarterly: A Newsletter of Disability and Rehabilitation Research and Resources. Silver Spring, MD: The National Rehabilitation Information Center, 1988-.

NARIC is a government agency that conducts research in the areas of disabilities and rehabilitation and that produces numerous information sources for the disabled. NARIC Quarterly provides in each issue a column that addresses various resources available through NARIC, including acquisitions to the NARIC library as well as types of technology, computers or databases overseen by the agency. NARIC helps produce two on-line databases: REHABDATA, a literature index, and ABLEDATA, a consumer products index (see entry above); the databases are available through BRS Information Technologies.

U.S. Government Document No. ED1.79/2: Perry Castaneda Government Documents Collection


Quarterly.

Although this source is generally for an audience of engineers, it does contain literature abstracts, book reviews, and a classified listing of publications of interest to the disabled. In the latter, one should check under the general and vocational headings and the topics prosthetics, sensory aids--hearing, speech, visual, and robotics and independent living. The Journal is indexed by Index Medicus (see entry above).

ECER abstracts current books and periodicals concerned with handicapped and gifted children. Its publisher, the Council for Exceptional Children, is a part of ERIC (see entry above), acting as the Clearinghouse on Handicapped and Gifted Children. The source is available as an on-line database through the Council. The subject index contains two important headings: assistive devices (for disabled) and sensory aids.

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Sources of Services for Disabled Persons


This directory is an extremely important source for determining appropriate organizations or individuals which provide information, referral or direct services relating to disabilities. Organizations are usually national in scope; there is an emphasis of information providers over service providers. Most entries contain information on the disabilities and user groups served, the background and goals of the organization, and the information services provided.

U.S. Government Document No. ED 1.30/2:D63
Perry Castaneda Government Documents Collection


Names and addresses of organizations or services concerned with travel, recreation, socialization, employment, training and education are included in this directory. Publications of interest are noted as well as some appliances and devices. The work is divided into four major areas: General Sources for the Disabled, Resources for the Mobility Impaired, Resources for the Visually Impaired, and Resources for the Hearing Impaired. There is an index at the end of the work with bibliographical references.

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Perry Castaneda Library Reference
Organizations and Directories on Disabled Persons and Native Americans


An excellent source describing over 30,000 non-profit international, national, state and local associations, this annual multi-volume work has entries classified in subject groups, such as Social Welfare Organizations. Note that the "volumes" are in some cases actually as many as three separate books. The Name and Keyword Index can be searched under Indian, American Indian, Native American, disabled or handicapped. This source is also available on-line from DIALOG Information Services, Inc.


This directory of U.S. and Canadian research centers has a subject index with entries listed under Indians (American) and Handicapped. The entries are listed by state or province and provide the address and organizational focus of the facility. Three centers cited in the work that conduct research concerning Native Americans and disabilities are Northern Arizona University's American Indian Rehabilitation Research and Training Center, the University of South Dakota's Center for Developmental Disabilities, and the Assistive Device Center at California State University, Sacramento. The RCD appears with a number of other directories in the Research Centers and Services Directory, an on-line database from DIALOG Information Services, Inc.


The NCAI aims to improve the health, education and economic conditions of Native Americans through various means, including the NCAI Fund (for charitable or educational purposes) and through its organizational committees (e.g. Health and Housing Committee).
Native American Community Board, P.O. Box 572, Lake Andes, SD, 57356-0572; (605) 487-7072.

The NACB sponsors charitable programs as well as other services for children and adults. In addition to education and placement services, the organization also runs the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center.

Information Center for Individuals with Disabilities, Ft. Point Place, 27-43 Wormwood St., Boston, MA, 02210; 617-727-5540.

This information and referral center aids individuals with disabilities in finding appropriate resources, agencies and facts that encourage an increasingly independent lifestyle. It collects, cross references and stores information on many topics, including equipment and personal care, and on state, federal, public and private agencies.


The Clearinghouse disseminates information concerning federally-funded programs and federal legislative actions and their impact on services. It also makes referrals when appropriate.

Other Educational and Health Care Information Sources


This booklet describes the Indian Health Service's organization, goals, history and accomplishments. It lists IHS hospitals, health centers, and administrative offices. It also has a map of IHS health facility locations.


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Three program areas are described in this publication: Office of Special Education programs, Rehabilitative Services Administration, and the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research. The types of services offered are delineated with addresses for further information.

Perry Castaneda Government Documents Collection

Sources for Financial Assistance


The types of assistance listed in this work are divided according to groups (e.g. developmental disability, visual disability, families of the disabled). Scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards and internships are documented from national and state sources. There is also an annotated bibliography of general financial aids directories for further research, as well as numerous indexes according to program title, sponsoring agency, geographic location, subject, and calendar deadline dates.


Two features are of particular interest in this book. The third chapter is Financial Aids for the Disabled, which can be very helpful in locating and applying for aid. Appendices at the end of the work include listings for state and for national organizations providing services or advocacy for the disabled.

The index to this work has listings for financial assistance and funding information. There are six basic sections in the work, including advocacy organizations, information sources and vendors, federal government agencies, professional and trade agencies, facilities and schools, and service organizations.


Comprehensive listings of tribes and affiliated organizations, museum and library collections, Indian health services, schools, financial aid and periodicals are included in the Reference Encyclopedia. Entries are listed alphabetically or alpha-geographically within broad topical areas. Each listing gives the address, phone, contact person, and a description of the activities of the entry. A subject index is included. Look here to find government agencies particularly concerned with Native Americans' issues, such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Indian Health Service.
Finding Assistive Devices for
Disabled Native Americans: A Pathfinder

Assistive devices are implements that help the disabled lead more independent lifestyles. These devices range from door-knob extension handles, eating utensils and reachers, to talking books and watches, wheelchairs, and safety seats for toilets. This pathfinder will assist in finding library sources for assistive devices, for reviews of assistive technology, and for identifying possible funding resources or supportive organizations.

How should I begin my search for assistive devices?

Go to your library’s subject catalog and look for books or other items under the terms self help devices for the disabled, handicapped, and rehabilitation.

If you are looking for a specific type of device, ask your librarian if she or he can search ABLEDATA, an on-line database. The database contains generic and brand names of more than 16,000 assistive devices, their costs, some evaluations, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of over 1,900 companies. ABLEDATA is available from BRS, an on-line database vendor.

How can I find journal articles about assistive devices?

Look in periodical indexes such as ERIC and Index Medicus. ERIC contains Current Index to Journals in Education (Phoenix, AZ: Oryx Press), and Resources in Education (Washington, DC: Government Printing Office). In ERIC check under the term assistive devices. Cited articles are on microfiche, if it is available, according to the "ED" (ERIC Document) number, or the article may be in journals in your library’s collection. In Index Medicus (Washington, DC: Government Printing Office) use the term self help devices. After finding a citation, check the list of abbreviations near the beginning of the book to find the full name of the journal containing the article. Then check the catalog for the journal title and its location in your library.

What periodicals are there on this topic?

Two good newsletter-type publications are AT Quarterly (Washington, DC: RESNA Press) and NARIC Quarterly (Silver Spring, MD: National Rehabilitation Information Center). They regularly discuss assistive devices. Two other periodicals are Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development (Washington, DC: Veterans’s Administration) and Exceptional Child Education Resources (Reston, VA: Council for Exceptional Children). The first journal lists pertinent publications under the topics prosthetics, sensory aids, and robotics and independent living. The second journal identifies and summarizes current books and periodicals. Check this source under assistive devices (for disabled) and sensory aids.
What other sources are there for the disabled?

One very important book is the Directory of National Information Sources for the Disabled, 5th ed. (Washington, DC: Government Printing Office, 1991), produced by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research. It describes organizations (such as the National Rehabilitation Information Center) and individuals that give information, referral and direct services to disabled persons.

How can I find organizations for Native Americans or for the Disabled?

Look in the Encyclopedia of Associations 1992 (Detroit, MI: Gale Research) in the Subject and Keyword Index under the terms Indian, American Indian, Native American, disabled and handicapped. Read the entries carefully to find out if the organization provides the type of support you need. Check the Research Centers Directory (Detroit, MI: Gale Research, 1992) under the terms Indians (American) and handicapped. The centers listed in this work may be able to make a referral for you or help you find an appropriate organization to help you.

Are there sources for financial aid?

Gail Schlachter’s Financial Aid for the Disabled and Their Families 1988-89 (Redwood City, CA: Reference Service Press, 1988) is a good source for this type of information. Another is Richard Shrout’s Resource Directory for the Disabled (New York, NY: Facts on File, 1991). To find financial aid sources in the library catalog, look for the subheading directories under the subjects handicapped--scholarships, fellowships, etc., assistive devices for the disabled, and grants-in-aid--United States. You may also wish to contact various non-profit organizations about any charitable assistance they may provide.

Where else can I check?

Look in your telephone directory in the blue pages for national, state and local agencies that help the aged, the disabled or Native Americans. You may need to scan these pages closely for terms such as the Department of Aging, or there may be a commission or board that helps the handicapped in your state. Ask your librarian if there is a vertical file or other resource (such as local area rehabilitation projects or educational offices) that the library knows about.

What if my library doesn’t have a book I need?

Ask your librarian about Inter-Library Service. You may be able to borrow the book from another library. If you need more help, please ASK A LIBRARIAN.
Disabled persons can face obstacles such as the public's misunderstanding of their appearance or behavior, poor self-concept, and limitations of access and mobility. The amputee must also contend with phantom limb pains, and prosthesis fit and maintenance. Adding to this is the suddenness of most amputee's situation, which creates a multitude of physical and psychological problems. The adult Native American amputee must face the problem of economic survival, since jobs on a reservation are limited even for those whole of body.

This work is designed to be used by a rehabilitation counselor to share with and help meet the information needs of adult Native American individuals handicapped because of an upper or lower body amputation. The branching method of information finding which was used can be applied to any type of information searching on any subject.

This pathfinder provides background information on Native American culture, to enable the counselor to better serve clients of that culture. It provides information to share with the amputee and family to assist in providing living and recreational needs, and some of the agencies and organizations providing information and assistance to handicapped persons. Legal matters were not addressed since current and future legislation may affect situations in unforseen ways, causing the pathfinder to become obsolete.
I began my search with background material to better understand the concerns of Native Americans with health issues, and the type of information needed by handicapped persons. The American Indian Culture and Research Journal, vol. 13 is devoted to health issues and provided much insight, as did the book, Ordinary Moments—The Disabled Experience.

I started by using the online catalog system at the University of Texas at Austin, and the title-keyword mode under amputation and disabled, noting titles of interest and alternate subject headings used. I found information of use to amputees and counselors under subject headings of HANDICAPPED, WHEELCHAIR, and REHABILITATION. Background information on Native Americans was found using the search terms Indians of North America. I also consulted subject guides such as Health Sciences Information Sources and Physical Disability and talked to social workers.

In choosing among the titles, I tried to use current and comprehensive sources. In some cases older material, containing low-energy using adaptive strategies for amputees, was preferred. This was because much of the newest technology is more expensive, and parts and repair services for them may be difficult to obtain in a rural area.

These titles were compiled at The University of Texas at Austin, but most should be available at any large academic library or through inter-library loan.
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Accent on Information. POB 700, Bloomington, IL 61702. Telephone: (309) 378-2961.
A computerized retrieval system assisting disabled persons and therapists in obtaining information on products and how-to solutions for assisting disabled persons in a variety of daily living tasks. The data base includes references to publications and descriptions of equipment with addresses to obtain the devices. A small fee is charged and a search is made on the requested topic, there is also a Buyer’s Guide which lists equipment and manufacturers. A quarterly magazine, Accent on Living, contains true stories, articles, and practical information for disabled.

Provides support and information to amputees, their families and friends, attorneys, physical therapists, and prosthetist by peer support, with educational and self-help material. "It offers counseling, information and referral, financial aid, rehabilitation coordination and hospital visitation."
Publications include self-help guides, a quarterly newsletter, Ability magazine and also has videotapes, and a computerized referral system for amputee services nationwide.

American Indian Culture and Research Journal. Los Angeles: University of California, 1974-.
Contains scholarly articles on topics of interest to Native Americans, also reviews books on or by Native Americans. Occasionally puts out a special edition devoted to one issue of Native American life, such as volume 13, "Contemporary Issues in Native American Health", in which three of the articles discuss the difficulties of the American Indian amputee and suggest information needs to be addressed. Indexed in Sociological Abstracts, CIJE and available through ERIC on CD-ROM and DIALOG.

Amputee Shoe and Glove Exchange. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Wainerdi. 1635 Warwickshire Drive. Houston, TX. 77077.
A free service, it maintains a list of amputees and matches up opposite side amputees to help them exchange shoes and gloves. In matching, the clients age, size, style and side needed are recorded, but mailing the items is left to the amputee. This service enables the amputee to network with a peer and also save money by sharing shoe or glove costs.
A guide to all aspects of care, written for the rehabilitation counselor, subjects include prevention of amputation, prosthetic fitting and stump care, and reintegration into society. It is well illustrated with an index. The contributors come from many different fields, providing different viewpoints in an overview of some problems of amputation adjustment.

Essays and case studies on treating psychological and social problems arising from a disability. Written for counselors by professionals in the field and offers specific intervention strategies. It does have many footnotes but no bibliography.

Well written personal accounts of life as a disabled person, written by the disabled persons. Contains a bibliography of books about being disabled. Two of the chapters concern amputees.

Complete manual on wheelchair care, written from the disabled point of view. Tips on setting up a maintenance schedule, and stress points which may give problems are noted. Different models are discussed, but the newer types are not covered.

Brief coverage of each reservations history, culture, recreation, economy, and government. Gives names and addresses for tribal leaders and councils, organized by alphabetical order within each state, and has an index. A good beginning point for learning about life on a particular reservation.

Written by a double amputee skilled at rock climbing and mountaineering, this guide offers instructions for adaptations of a variety of outdoor activities. Two which might appeal to a Native American are rock climbing, and horse back riding. Although it does have only U.K. publications listed, the techniques can be used in the U.S. and because the author is an amputee it gives this book authenticity.

Contains information to better understand the amputee and their emotional problems. Chapters represent a broad range of topics, such as family acceptance, societies traditional attitudes and phantom limb pains. Specific methods to aid the amputee are given with additional bibliographies.


Compiled by American Medical Association, it is a compendium of associations, organization and agencies providing information and services to individuals. It is alphabetical by subject, providing the name, address and phone number of sources and service providers. It has entries for Amputee Foundation, Native American doctors, and a number of other useful organizations.


Comprehensive index to biomedical literature, current and worldwide coverage. Uses a specific terminology, try amputations-trauma, but can be accessed using natural language.


"Manual designed for the home sewer who can follow directions and operate a sewing machine." Shows how to modify patterns and clothing, and construct aids for independent living. It has many illustrations, a bibliography and best of all, is designed to lay flat so that it can be used while at the sewing machine.


Comprehensive guide to sources of information about Native Americans. Organizations and associations are listed with names, purposes, address, activities, and publications. There is also a bibliography of books currently in print about or by Native Americans, indexed by alphabetical title and by subject, and a biographical section.


A directory of self-help devices and strategies to aid disabled in all areas of living, most are low-cost or can be made at home. There are bibliographies at the end of each chapter, lists of agencies, periodicals, and equipment sources. The authors have concentrated on those equipment suppliers who can be contacted by mail order and are at the lower cost end of the price listings.
A list of federal publications, from a wide range of agencies, and covering a multitude of subjects which are available. Bibliographies and guides to services offered by the federal government are listed, as are many programs. Most of the material is very low-cost and some is available free.

National Easter Seal Society. 70 East Lake Street, Chicago, IL 60601.
Concerned with helping children and adults with disabilities, they offer a wide range of services including hospital visits, financial aid, rehabilitation aid, and many publications for the disabled and rehabilitation personnel. Publications cover topics such as awareness, attitudes, disabling conditions, independent living, prevention, psychological aspects, recreation and camping, some of which are available in Spanish and all at the lowest possible cost. There are also custom software systems available to aid the professional in vocational, camping and recreation and medical rehabilitation topics.

Although dated, this is an excellent source of addresses and information for national Indian organizations, with many of the addresses unchanged. It lists Native American run schools and media produced by Native Americans for Native Americans. There is an excellent craft directory for sales outlets and authentic supplies used in traditional crafts, providing potential employment opportunities.

Written for counselors to show how to involve and aid the family in coping with a disability. Many aspects and type of disability, including amputation, are covered. Indexed with a bibliography to further readings.

Sociological Abstracts, Inc. New York: Sociological Abstracts, 1952-. Frequency varies (available online from DIALOG). Provides abstracts from journals in sociology and related disciplines. The data base does contain items on disabilities, as long as the article was written from a sociological aspect of the disability. Also indexes material about Native Americans, such as the American Indian Research Journal. Some relevant search terms are american indian, disability, rehabilitation.

A collection of techniques and products available to aid disabled persons in planning a kitchen, food preparation, and general house work. There are many illustrations of persons with a variety of handicapping conditions, showing how a disabled person can maintain a home. Written from a practical standpoint to aid in independent living.


Sources of audiovisual materials about handicapping conditions, many free or available for a low cost rental fee.


Mostly print sources concerning conditions which effect sexual activities, written for counselors and affected individuals. Contains information on amputee and sexuality, also discusses drug and alcohol abuse. Small annotated bibliography of films available for rent.
A guide to locating information which will aid your client, and their family in adapting to their condition.

FIRST...

Find background material

Search the catalog using subject headings or, if an online catalog is available, use the title-keyword search option to find information on Native American culture by using terms such as Indians of North America, and handicapped, amputee, or rehabilitation to obtain titles concerning amputee's. Note the call numbers of titles, and browse the shelves around them for additional titles.

Examples of titles you may locate

Reference Encyclopedia of the American Indian. edited by Barry Klein. This work is a guide to Native American organizations, and books. It also has biographies of American and Canadian Indians.

Another excellent book, written by disabled persons and edited by Alan Brightman, is Ordinary Moments-The Disabled Experience. Two of the chapters deal specifically with amputees.

THEN...

Update your information

Indexes will provide access to journal articles containing more current information.

Some to try

Index Medicus, in print, is also available online and on CD-Rom as MEDLINE. This provides coverage of periodicals, monographs and non-print materials devoted to medical topics, such as rehabilitation. Many articles can be found using the terms amputations-trauma.

Sociological Abstracts will provide articles on rehabilitation, but with a sociologists slant. It will also index journals devoted to ethnic studies, such as "American Indian Culture and Research Journal".
Find Government sources -- usually low cost!!

The Monthly Catalog of United States Government Publications has a Cumulative Index which gives the documents number. Then go to a specific Monthly Catalog to find out more about the title and whether it suits your needs. If it does, and the library does not have it, the librarian can explain how it can be easily ordered.

The bibliography Sex and the Handicapped compiled by the U.S. Veterans Administration Hospital is just one example of the many publications the government provides.

LAST...

BUT NOT LEAST...

Contact National and Local Organizations

Organizations usually have the most current and lowest cost information available.

National

With chapters in 31 states, the organization provides peer support, and many publications and videos to aid the amputee.

Amputee Shoe and Glove Exchange. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Wainerdi. 1635 Warwickshire Drive, Houston, TX 77077.
Aids the amputee in exchanging unneeded shoes and gloves.

National Easter Seal Society. 70 East Lake Street, Chicago IL 60601
Provides rehabilitation services and has a catalog of publications for both the professional and the client. Some items are available in Spanish and all are low cost.

National Native American Cooperative. Native American Directory lists a wide range of organizations whose primary focus are Native Americans.

Check the telephone book’s yellow pages under rehabilitation services to find local chapters of the national organizations, along with service providers and organizations in your community.

IF YOU NEED MORE HELP---PLEASE--ASK THE LIBRARIAN
When President Bush signed the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990, a chapter was completed in the long and difficult struggle for the nearly 43,000,000 Americans who suffer from physical or mental disabilities. Considered a landmark piece of civil rights legislation, the act seeks to break down the barriers to employment, transportation, public accommodations, public services and telecommunications for the disabled.

A major focus of the ADA is the employment of the disabled, and with the first employment provisions going into effect July 26, 1992, many employers are worried about the financial effects of providing reasonable accommodation to all current and potential disabled employees. This was a concern throughout the three years the ADA was debated. When the act finally goes into effect this summer, questions of its financial implications, particularly in relation to the labor market, have yet to be answered.

This pathfinder is intended for students doing research at the graduate level at the University of Texas at Austin. While it can be applied to any number of the social science disciplines, it has primarily been developed for students in Rehabilitative Counselling. Students researching this topic will want to examine the full text of the ADA, including employer requirements and legal definitions, the effect of public policy on the labor market, and, finally, the impact of the ADA on employers, employees, and the labor market. Since the financial impact of the ADA, particularly in relation to the labor market, is a matter of conjecture and speculation at this point, the search for sources on this topic is particularly difficult since no definitive work has been written. Many sources were consulted; those subsequently selected were chosen using the following criteria:

1. The availability of sources from the General Libraries at the University of Texas at Austin.
2. The recency of the sources.
3. The ease of use of each source.
4. Whether or not the sources were pertinent to the topic.
The search for sources began with a thorough investigation of the Monthly Catalog of U.S. Government Publications and the Index to Publications of the United States Congress using the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as a title-keyword search term. This proved very successful, and provided access to key documents essential to the ADA, including it's full text, House and Senate reports, committee hearings, and various handbooks intended for employers and the disabled.

After verifying the availability of these government sources I searched UT-CAT Plus, the on-line catalog of the General Libraries, to locate materials of two types. I first searched using the term the "Americans With Disabilities Act" to determine if any monographs on the ADA were available. After successfully locating a few titles, I then searched for items examining the effect of public policy on labor markets using the subject headings "labor supply--research", "conflict of laws--labor laws and legislation", and "handicapped--employment--United States." I also searched the on-line business and academic periodical indexes of UT-CAT Plus using the term the "Americans with Disabilities Act." The many journal articles found in this manner, are located primarily in the Employee Relations Law Journal, Nation's Business, and Personnel Journal.

Finally, several indexes were chosen to provide access to recent articles appearing in journals and periodicals, primarily those with a legal or business slant. Using the "Americans With Disabilities Act" as either a title-keyword or subject heading search term, many citations were located in the Business Periodicals Index, the General Periodicals Index, the National Newspaper Index, and the Public Affairs Information Bulletin.
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Style Manual


A collection of heavily revised conference papers presented at MIT in June of 1987. Each chapter represents the work of a scholar in the field of economics with an emphasis on recent developments in the labor market. Comments and discussion are added to each chapter as a result of the thoughts of others attending the conference. Reference lists following each chapter can be used as bibliographies. Name and subject indexes included. For this pathfinder, chapter 10 on government and the labor market would be particularly useful as it discusses governmental intervention into the operation of the labor market.


A special report giving a comprehensive account of the social, legal and legislative history of people with physical and mental disabilities in the United States, and the newly enacted law designed to guarantee their civil rights in employment and public accommodations. It acts as a general guide to the ADA for the lay reader. Two chapters particularly useful for this topic are 5, Outlook, and 8, Company Profiles, as there is some discussion of the ADA's financial impact. Eight appendices include the text of the ADA, a directory of agencies and organizations that provide assistance meeting the ADA requirements, and a comprehensive bibliography.


Eleventh in a series on labor economics research, this is a collection of essays on labor economics and public policy written by current scholars in the field. Extensive reference lists that follow each essay can be used as bibliographies. The essays *Labor Economics and Public Policy* and *Labor Force Participation Among Disabled Persons* would be useful for this topic. There is no index.


Accessible by subject only, this is a cumulative index to international English language periodicals with all entry arranged in one alphabet. It covers such subject areas as economics, personnel administration, and the regulation of industry. Access using the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as the primary subject heading. Other useful subject headings are "discrimination in employment" and "handicapped-employment."

Designed to assist employers in ascertaining potential problems resulting from adherence to the ADA, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and certain specialized federal statutes. It examines discrimination laws in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, providing legal cases as examples. This is a legal text covering the obligations of employers when providing "reasonable accommodation". An index is included. This will provide someone with the legal background of anti-discrimination laws across the country.


(Annual).

This annual cumulation of CQ Weekly Report, provides an easy to read retrospective examination of Congressional legislation for any given year. Very journalistic in style with lots of tables. Appendices include voting studies, public laws enacted, and roll call charts. See volumes 45 and 46 for extensive treatments of the ADA. Access is by the "Americans with Disabilities Act" in the subject index.


Current PCL 1st Floor (By title)
Older K5 .M64

A quarterly legal journal covering employee relations. Abstracted articles are written by practicing lawyers. Reference sources identify this particular title as containing frequent, lengthy articles on the ADA within the past few years.

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The EEOC can provide additional information concerning the ADA and its effects on employment. By writing or calling, individuals can receive specific information about ADA requirements affecting employment in print, large print, Braille, audiotape, and electronic file on computer disk. This office will be helpful for locating depository materials not received by the General Libraries. They can also assist by informing individuals where to call for other related materials on the ADA.
General Periodicals Index (InfoTrac). Foster City, California: Information Access Company, 1989-.

CD-ROM (PCL Ref)

The General Periodicals Index is a CD-ROM indexing source for general periodicals. Topics covered include education, literature and art, current events, psychology, humanities, business and management, finance and economics, and consumer information. With its natural language searching capability, this non-print source is very easy to use for locating current materials. Some abstracts are provided. Use "Americans with Disabilities Act" as a search term, and pay particular attention to the sub-heading of "economic aspects".


KF49 .C62 (PCL Ref)

A commercial publication which indexes and analyzes Congressional publications including hearings, reports, House and Senate documents, committee prints, treaty documents, and special publications. It acts as a legislative history, thus providing the ability to trace a bill through Congress. Popular names of bills, laws and reports are given, as well as subject matter are included in the abstracts. Again, use the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as a subject or title search term. Many additional access points are available for searching.


HD7256 .U5E36 1989 (PCL)

A collection of essays written by professionals in economics, vocational rehabilitation, rehabilitation engineering, and other disability-related fields. Written in clear prose, each essay ends with a reference list. Full of tables and charts, this monograph also has an extensive subject index. For background information on how labor markets are affected by laws and legislation see the first section on Economic, Demographic, and Legislative Influences on Employment. Scan the remainder essay titles for possible relevancy, and examine the index.

LEXIS/NEXIS. Dayton, Ohio: Mead Data Central, 1973-.

PCL Micro Center

LEXIS/NEXIS is a full-text on-line service covering legal, business, political, patent and medical information. Newspapers, journals, wire services, and legal texts are available. Through the various "libraries" (i.e. databases) one can access information from hundreds of files using boolean search commands. For the ADA, search using the term "Americans with Disabilities Act" in any number of these files. Access for UT students is available through the PCL Microcenter upon completion of a training session or computer-based tutorial.

Z1223 .A18 (PCL Ref)

The government index for publications available from the GPO. The main section is arranged by classification number (SuDocs #) according to issuing agency, but with it variety of indexes materials can be located with relative ease. Indexes include; author, title, subject, series/report, contract number, stock number and title keyword. For this topic, search the title keyword index using the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as the search term.

Nation's Business. Washington, D.C.: Chamber of Commerce of the United States of America, 1912-.

Current PCL 1st Floor
1979-91 MCFICHE 8054 (1st Floor)
Older HF1 .N4 (to 1982) (PCL)

A monthly publication which covers various aspects of business on the national level. Written by a publication's staff, articles are easy to read, and aimed at an audience that works within the various levels of the business world. This title appears to be particularly useful for current awareness of the ADA, as it was found to be the source for a number of articles.

National Newspaper Index (InfoTrac). Foster City, California: Information Access Company, 1989-.

CD-ROM (PCL Ref)

For current information on current events, lifestyle, biographies, sports, economics, consumer event, world affairs, public health, business trends, entertainment, and travel contained in major national newspapers. Same easy to search techniques as the General Periodicals Index. Use "Americans with Disabilities Act" as the major search term again. Many citations were to articles and columns concerning the ADA were from the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, the Washington Post, and the Los Angeles Times.

Personnel Journal. Santa Monica, California: Personnel Journal, Inc., 1922-.

Current PCL 1st Floor (By title)
1977-90 MCFICHE 8053 (1st floor)
Older 658.05 J826 (PCL)

A monthly publication which covers various aspects of personnel management and personnel issues. Written mostly by a publication's staff, each issue includes items from guest contributor's involved in business and industry. These easy to read articles presented in a pleasing format are summarized in the table of contents. Several items in the past three years covering the costs of employing disabled workers specifically discuss the ADA.
Considered by many to be the "Reader's Guide" of political and social science, this title indexes English language periodicals, government documents, pamphlets, reports, and some books. Topic coverage includes government, legislation, economics, sociology and political science. An alphabetical arrangement for the print version makes this source easy to use. The CD-ROM version is more difficult to use in that searching must be done using a controlled vocabulary. For the topic at hand, use the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as the search term in the print version.

This multi-volume set is a listing of all laws of a general and permanent nature under the arrangement of the official code of the laws of the United States with annotations from both federal and state courts. It can provide access to the laws of the country in relation to a particular subject. To access particular laws, begin with the general index, and treat the "Americans with Disabilities Act" as a descriptive heading. This title will be useful if clarification of how the new act fits into the United States Code.

A weighty publication written in easy to read prose for the purpose of informing and assisting people with disabilities, businesses and the affected public on the provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act. Each title of the ADA is covered extensively, and there are 15 separate appendices. There are analyses, and interpretive guidance entries for each section of the new regulations. Dimensions of all sorts are given as guidelines for physical space requirements. Throughout the text are listings of various government offices to contact if questions should arise. This is a must read source for anyone interested in the ADA.

Brief pamphlet on the ADA. This short guide on the major provisions of Public Law 101-336 includes the address and phone number of the Coordination and Review Section for those interested in further information.

J1.2:Am3/8 (PCL Docs)

Short pamphlet on frequently asked questions about the ADA including short answers. Address and phone number of the Office on the Americans with Disabilities Act included for further information on the ADA.


Y3.Eq2:2Am3/3 (PCL Docs)

A pamphlet explaining the part of the ADA that prohibits job discrimination. Discusses briefly "reasonable accommodation". Several addresses and phone numbers given for the various government agencies with more information about the ADA.


Y3.Eq2:2Am3/4 (PCL Docs)

A pamphlet explaining the part of the ADA that prohibits job discrimination. Written for the disabled employee, it provides a brief summary of the provisions of the ADA. Several addresses and phone numbers given for the various government agencies with more information about the ADA.

UT-CAT Plus. On-line Public Access Catalog/Index at University of Texas at Austin Catalog--search with title keyword for "Americans with Disabilities Act" for materials actually on the ADA. For materials about how laws and legislation affect labor markets search under the Library of Congress subject headings "labor supply--research", "conflict of laws--labor laws and legislation", and "handicapped--employment--United States".

Academic Periodicals Index--search using the same subject headings as used above, as well as the ADA title keyword.

Business Periodicals Index--search with title keyword for "Americans with Disabilities Act" for materials on the ADA.
This is the database version of the legal publications of West Publications and selected printed sources of the Bureau of National Affairs and Commerce Clearing House. Access to this full-text database is by title, date, court or state citation, opinion, descriptive words, case summary, headnote, topic and key number. It provides quick access to materials on the ADA located in such titles as the *U.S. Code Annotated* and the *Federal Register*, by either "Americans with Disabilities Act" or "Public Law 101-336." Use of this service is limited to law students and faculty and librarians at the Law Library thus students not enrolled in the law school must speak with a reference librarian.
The Americans With Disabilities Act
(Public Law 101-336)

This pathfinder is designed to assist those who are interested in locating information about the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). Emphasis is placed on employment and the labor market.

What exactly is the Americans With Disabilities Act and how did it come into being?

A variety of sources are available to answer these questions, but for the actual text of the ADA and any other legislative materials you need to search indexes to government publications. Search all using the term "Americans With Disabilities Act."


Index to Publications of the United States Congress (CIS Index). Bethesda, Maryland: Congressional Information Service, 1970-. A publication that indexes and analyzes Congressional publications including hearings, reports, House and Senate documents, committee prints, treaty documents, and special publications. All documents are summarized.

Now that I've selected some documents how to I go about finding them?

Each entry in these indexes will provide what is called a SuDocs number. Many libraries shelve documents by these numbers. One document found through an index search is:


I'm more familiar with the ADA now. Are there any books on this topic?

For materials on the ADA in particular:

Using your local library’s on-line or card catalog, try the title keyword search "Americans with Disabilities Act." An example of a useful title is:

For materials on how laws and legislation affect employment:

Try the subject headings "labor supply--research", "conflict of laws--labor laws and legislation", and "handicapped--employment--United States." An example of a useful title is:


What about recent materials? Can I find anything about my topic in periodicals?

To find out if there have been any articles written about the ADA in the related fields of economics, business, and public policy try the following indexes using the subject search term "Americans With Disabilities Act."


Are there any periodicals in particular that contain materials useful to this topic?

Recent issues of the following three titles contain many articles pertaining to the ADA.


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Personnel Journal. Santa Monica, California: Personnel Journal, Inc., 1922-.

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