

Deciding which resource to use

❖ ***Does the library own a book or journal?***

- Search the online catalog (Pegasus) to determine if Loyola owns the book or journal you need (both print and electronic)
- Click on the link to e-journals to determine if Loyola owns an electronic journal or the exact years the electronic journal is available

❖ ***Doing research on a specific topic: start with a database***

- For biomedical information go to Medline. For other subject areas refer to the handout *Major Databases available at Health Sciences Library* for appropriate databases.
- Searching Medline (either Ovid or PubMed)
 - Medline contains citations to current and historical research as well as practice guidelines, and evidence based information
 - Many citations will have links to electronic full text journal articles owned by Loyola

❖ ***MD Consult***

- Electronic journal articles and books
 - MD Consult provides full-text access to a variety of journals and books. Specific titles are found under the e-journals and e-books links on the library home page. Access electronic journal articles by searching rather than browsing the table of contents. Users may 'search' a known citation to find a specific article.
- Other features
 - Student Union – found in the Learning Center section
 - Geared toward medical students
 - ◆ Contains information about performing procedures, practice case studies, medical abbreviations and other items
 - Patient Handouts
 - Practice Guidelines

❖ ***Micromedex***

- Use Micromedex for drug information including toxicology, drug interactions and dosing tools

❖ ***Evidence Based Medicine resources***

- Clinical Evidence
- UpToDate
- Pier
- Ovid: Cochrane, Dare & ACP Journal Club

❖ ***Internet resources***

- Good source for government & association resources as well as patient education sources
- Click on WWW links for quality sites arranged by subject such as *MedlinePlus*, a resource for patient education materials available on the web

Questions: Call (708) 216-9192 to speak to a Reference Librarian