

TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health

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SUMMARY INFORMATION REPORT FOR MARCH 2016

Recommendation

It is recommended that Report No. 018-16 re: Summary Information Report for March 2016 be received for information.

Key Points

- The library subscribes to a variety of electronic resources, and collaborates extensively with other public health libraries to enhance resource sharing

Background

This report provides a summary of information from Health Unit programs. Additional information is available on request.

Electronic Resources Available through the Middlesex-London Health Unit Library

The MLHU library has access to many electronic resources. Along with Public Health Ontario (PHO) and other Shared Library Services Libraries, the library coordinates journal subscription purchases to maximize the number of titles available and participates in resource sharing with other Ontario public health libraries. The library currently subscribes to 27 journal titles, 37% of which are available electronically, and has invested in 11 e-books with plans to purchase additional titles. Substantial additional online content is available through the Virtual Library, provided by PHO. The library also participates in Docline, an automated system that facilitates reciprocal interlibrary loans across North America. More details about the MLHU library's electronic resources are included in [Appendix A](#) to this report.



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