To:     UNMC College of Pharmacy Preceptors  
From: Cindy Schmidt, M.D., M.L.S. – Library Liaison to the COP  
Date:  September 3, 2013  
RE:  Simultaneous LexiComp/Martindale's/AHFS Drug Information search is now available  

The important news:  
- On Jan 1, the McGoogan Library's MICROMEDEX license will end, and the Library's LexiComp/Martindale's/AHFS DI license will begin.  
- The folks at Lexicomp are generously providing early access to the combined LexiComp/Martindale's/AHFS Drug Info product. Please, take this opportunity to become familiar with the LexiComp interface before we lose access to MICROMEDEX.  
- The link to the combined LexiComp/Martindale's/AHFS DI product is located in the "Drug Resources" section of the "Quick Links" list on the McGoogan Library's homepage.  

The background:  
Some of you may have missed my earlier messages about the switch to LexiComp. For financial reasons, The Nebraska Medical Center's pharmacy has been considering a switch to LexiComp for over a year and has finally decided to make the move. The 'affordability' of UNMC's MICROMEDEX license was inextricably linked to the existence of a TNMC license. The McGoogan Library will license the web accessible version of Lexi-Comp and will pay for inclusion of Martindale's and AHFS Drug Information in the Lexi-Comp search interface. The installable LexiComp app for mobile devices is not included in this license (the LexiComp licensure fees would have been over seven times higher if institutional access to the mobile app had been included in the license).  
Perhaps you’re asking, “Why include Martindale's and AHFS Drug Information in the Lexi-Comp license?” Online access to Martindale's is currently available through MICROMEDEX. Obviously, a new means of access is necessary. Online access to AHFS Drug Information is currently available through Stat!Ref, but the Stat!Ref interface is not a frequent destination for those seeking drug information. We feel that AHFS will be better utilized when packaged with Lexi-Comp. As of Jan 1, AHFS Drug Information will no longer be included in the Stat!Ref license.  

Hope your fall semester has started well.  
Best Wishes,  
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