

Library Services



About Us

The William Potoroka Memorial Library is the most comprehensive information source on substance use and misuse, gambling and related issues in Manitoba, offering up-to-date, reliable information on issues, trends and research in the addictions field.

History

In 1980 an amalgamation with the former library of the Alcohol and Drug Education Services resulted in an expanded AFM library named after William Potoroka, a well-known Manitoba educator in the alcohol and drug abuse field.

By 1983, the Library contained the largest collection of current materials in addictions in the province of Manitoba.

What does the AFM Library offer?

This specialized library offers resources on addictions and related topics, as well as provides a full range of library services to the public.

Membership is free and available to all Manitobans over the age of 18.

Community Connections Computers

The AFM Library has public access computers for use in the library. Anyone can come in and use these computers to search the internet for information, jobs, webmail and research, or to access the library's database.

Community Connections facilitates Internet access to community-based programs and services through partnerships with communities, federal, provincial and municipal governments, and the not-for-profit and private sectors.

What topics can be found in the collection?

- alcohol
- anger
- co-occurring disorders
- depression
- domestic violence
- drugs
- fetal alcohol spectrum disorder
- gambling
- harm reduction
- impaired driving
- internet addiction
- parenting
- self-esteem
- sex addiction
- sex trade and sexual exploitation
- smoking
- stress
- suicide
- video game overuse

What types of resources can be found in the collection?

Audio-visual

- videos • DVDs • CD-ROMs
- kits • demonstration tools
- audio-tapes and more

Books

- personal stories
- children's books
- self-help resources
- research reports
- government documents
- statistics and more

Journals

- academic and professional

Information Pieces

- brochures
- booklets
- fact sheets
- posters

Contact Information

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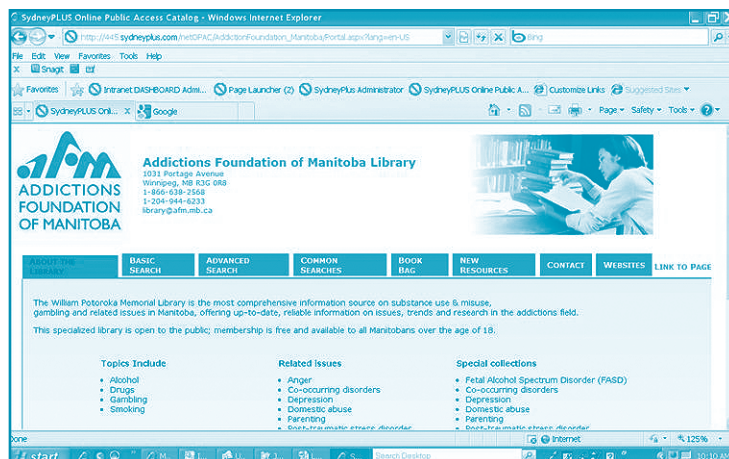
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Regular Library Hours

For hours of operation, check the website at www.afm.mb.ca or call 944-6233
Toll-free: 1-866-638-2568

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Library Portal

To search the library collection, go to AFM's website at www.afm.mb.ca

- Click on "AFM Lending Library" in the Information and Resources section
- Click on "Please click here to enter the library catalogue"
- ...or click on "Library Catalogue" on the menu bar on the left side of the screen.

Features of the Library Portal

New Resources

All of the books, videos, DVDs and journal articles that have been added to the collection within the last three months can now be seen within five minutes of them being catalogued into the collection.

Common Searches

Along with the basic and advanced search screens, users of the Library portal can now save time by utilizing the common search tab.

Scroll down to see the list of topics, then click on the topic to see all of the results.

Book Bag

Once a search has been performed, select the titles of interest, then save them to the book bag (which is similar to a shopping cart).

Go to the book bag tab and send the items to the Library email address with all of the titles required. Borrowers are limited to three items at a time.

There is a note field where further information can be entered, including:

- when the items are needed
- whether the items should be mailed to the user (for patrons who live out of Winnipeg)
- whether the items will be picked up at the Library by the user.