



Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library Planning Framework 2007-2010

MISSION The mission of the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library is to advance education, research and health care through information access, service and innovation. The library serves the University of Utah community, the citizens of the State of Utah, the MidContinental Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine and the citizens of the Internet.

VALUES

Be a patron-centered library, capable of rapidly responding to new challenges and opportunities, and providing the highest quality service

Focus on the patron is central to the mission of the library. The library anticipates and responds to their needs. Building this organization requires the participation of the library faculty, staff, students and community in the planning/accountability process.

Provide access to health sciences information

Information is central to the provision of high quality education, research and health care. The library carefully evaluates information provided through its services.

Develop and provide training, expertise and resources to advance efficient and effective access, utilization and management of information

A rapidly evolving information environment requires continuing development of information literacy skills. Users need efficient access to information impacting health care.

Encourage innovative information resources and services through collaboration

The challenges facing libraries exceed the capabilities of any single person or institution. Collaborative efforts amplify resources and services, extending them beyond the walls of the traditional facility.

GOALS

Goal 1: Build strong, innovative and diversified resources and services to meet the needs of the communities the library serves

Goal 2: Support the education, research and service programs of the library and Health Sciences Center through integration of advanced technologies and other innovative methods

Goal 3: Provide leadership and expertise in knowledge management and information access to our interdisciplinary communities

Goal 4: Provide sufficient administrative, organizational and financial support to plan for the goals of the long range plan