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PERSONAL

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Academic Rank: Librarian, Assistant Professor
Primary Department: Medical Library

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EXPERIENCE

Reference & Education Services Librarian; EBM Theme Director 2001 - present
Louis Calder Memorial Library
University of Miami School of Medicine (Miami, FL)

Librarian I: Adult Reference; Access and Disability Services Liaison 2000 - 2001
Southwest Regional Public Library
Broward County Libraries (Pembroke Pines, FL)

Circulation Manager 1999 - 2000
Library Assistant III 1998 - 1999
Administrative Student Circulation/Front Desk Assistant 1997 - 1998
Nova Southeastern University
Health Professions Division Library (Fort Lauderdale, FL)

America Reads Tutor 1998 - 1998
America Reads Challenge: Mirror Lake Elementary (Plantation, FL)

HIGHER EDUCATION

Graduate Certificate in Gerontology for Occupational Therapists 2003 - 2008
Florida International University (North Miami, FL)

Masters of Library and Information Science 1999 - 2000
University of South Florida (Tampa, FL)

Masters of Occupational Therapy 1997 - 2000
Nova Southeastern University (Fort Lauderdale, FL)

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Bachelors in Liberal Studies 1994 - 1997
Florida International University (Miami, FL)

Associates in Liberal Arts 1990 - 1994
Miami-Dade Community College (Miami, FL)

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP)

- Senior Level 2006 - present
- Provisional Level 2002 - 2006

Medical Library Association

License to practice Occupational Therapy 2001 - present
State of Florida Department of Health

Registered Occupational Therapist 2001 - present
National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, Inc.

PUBLICATIONS

- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2009, Summer). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 4.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (in press). Stop That Seemingly Senseless Behavior! FBA-Based Interventions for People with Autism. [Book Review]. Consumer Connections: CAPHIS newsletter.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (April 2009). Member Spotlight: Tanya Feddern-Bekcan, AHIP, Reference and Education Services Librarian, Louis Calder Memorial Library, University of Miami School of Medicine, Miami, FL. [Column]. MLA News, 415:12-13.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2009, Spring). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 4.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (January 2009). Neurological Issues [Crossword puzzle]. ADVANCE for Occupational Therapy Practitioners, 25(2): 6.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Winter). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 7.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (October 2008). Google Calendar. Journal of the Medical Library Association, 96(4): 394-395.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (September 2008). Frames of Reference/Theories [Word search]. ADVANCE for Occupational Therapy Practitioners, 24(20): 6.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Fall). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 4.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Fall). You Could Be Cited by the Florida Board of OT If You Don't... [Brief article]. FOCUS, 2.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Summer). OT in...*Spanish*. [Column]. FOCUS, 15.

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- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Spring). OT in...*Turkish*. [Column]. FOCUS, 15.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, Spring). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 2.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2008, February/March). Lifesaving Advice. [Letter to the Editor]. Fit Pregnancy, 22.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. & Garcia-Barcena, Y. (J). (2007, Winter). OT in...*Portuguese*. [Column]. FOCUS, 15.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2007, Winter). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 2.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2007, Fall). OT in...*Haitian Creole*. [Column]. FOCUS, 11.
- Feddern-Bekcan, T. (2007, Fall). OT Resources. [Column]. FOCUS, 11.
- Feddern, T. (February 2005). Peer-Review Resources. [Annotated webliography]. MLA News, 373, 7.
- Feddern, T. (2004). World's Best Sweet and Sour Chicken. In T.L. Williams, J. Bridges, S. Canham, C. Clanton, J. Fisher, J. Robertson, A. Seltzer, T. Singarella, & M. Riley (Eds.), *You Say Cuisine, I Say Vittles: The Southern Chapter Compendium of Recipes and Reminiscences* (pp. 49-50). Fundcraft Publishing, Collierville, TN.
- Feddern, T. (2004). World's Best Sweet and Sour [Vegetarian] Recipe. In T.L. Williams, J. Bridges, S. Canham, C. Clanton, J. Fisher, J. Robertson, A. Seltzer, T. Singarella, & M. Riley (Eds.), *You Say Cuisine, I Say Vittles: The Southern Chapter Compendium of Recipes and Reminiscences* (pp. 81-82). Fundcraft Publishing, Collierville, TN.
- Feddern, T. (2004). Teaching Strategies and Further Reading. University of Miami Calder Memorial Library. Accompanies the participant manual for MLA's satellite teleconference, *Roles and Essential Skills for the Expert Searcher*; 5 pages.
- Feddern, T. (2002, Winter/Spring 2003). Workshop Review: EBM for Librarians—Appraising the Evidence for Validity. [Brief article]. FHSLA ALERT, 17, (2), 4.
- Feddern, T. (2002, Winter/Spring 2003). Spotlight On...Grab-Bag. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 17, (2), 14.
- Feddern, T. (2002, Winter/Spring 2003). Electronic Tips & Tricks. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 17, (2), 20.
- Feddern, T. (June 2002). Good Web Source. [Letter to the Editor]. Library Journal, 127, (11), 10.
- Alpi, K., Bibel, B., & Feddern, T. (2002). Providing Health Information Resources and Services in Other Languages (this 47-page packet accompanies the MLA-approved CE course).
- Feddern, T. (2002, Spring). Spotlight On...Computing for Beginners. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 17, (1), 8.
- Feddern, T. (2002, Spring). Electronic Tips & Tricks. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 17, (1), 13.

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- Feddern, T. (2001, Fall/Winter). Spotlight On...Online Newsletters of Interest to Health Librarians. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 16, (3), 15.
- Feddern, T. (2001, Fall/Winter). Electronic Tips & Tricks. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 16, (3), 12.
- Feddern, T. (2001, Summer). Spotlight On...Continuing Education. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 16, (2), 10-11.
- Feddern, T. (2001, Summer). Electronic Tips & Tricks. [Column]. FHSLA ALERT, 16, (2), 9.
- Feddern, T. (April 2001). Figuring out Dewey: Dollars and Sense. The U*N*A*B*A*S*H*E*D Librarian, 118, 15-16.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Editorial Responsibilities:

- Publications Editor for the Florida Occupational Therapy Association (FOTA), including the association's newsletter, FOCUS (Mar. 2007 – present)
- Manuscript reviewer for the Internet Reference Services Quarterly (Oct. 2004 – Feb. 2005)
- Editor of FHSLA ALERT, the newsletter of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association (Spring 2002 – Winter 2002/Spring 2003)
- Co-Editor of FHSLA ALERT, the newsletter of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association (Spring 2001 - Winter 2001)

Papers:

- Ewers, K. & Feddern-Bekcan, T. Collaborative Curriculum Goals (a part of the *Collaborative Curriculum Designs for Bringing Best Evidence to the Point of Care* presentation). Presented in Miami Beach, Florida at the Nursing Excellence Conference: Bringing Best Evidence to the Point of Care by the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO), UM School of Nursing and Health Studies, and Jackson Health System/Public Health Trust (Jan. 10, 2008).
- Ewers, K. & Feddern-Bekcan, T. Creating an Evidence-Based Practice Culture. Presented in Coral Gables, Florida at the South Florida Winter Evidence-Based Nursing Institute by the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO), UM School of Nursing and Health Studies, and Jackson Health System/Public Health Trust (Jan. 7, 2008).
- Feddern, T. & Ewers, K. Development of a Hospital-based Certificate in Evidence-Based Nursing: A Joint Venture between Nursing Education and a University Medical Library. Presented at the 17th International Nursing Research Congress Focusing on Evidence-Based Practice in Montreal, Canada (Jul. 22, 2006)

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- Feddern, T. & Ewers, K. Strategies for Creating an Evidence-Based Practice Nursing Culture. Presented at the 2006 Medical Library Association Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona (May 22, 2006)
- Jones, J.D. Jr, Setterlund, S. & Feddern, T. Integrating Technology into the Health Sciences Curriculum. Presented at the 2006 Medical Library Association Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona (May 21, 2006)
- Ewers, K. & Feddern, T. Towards Creating a “Care Enough to Know” Evidence-Based Nursing Practice Culture. Paper presentation. Third Biennial International Conference on Nursing Best Practice Guidelines by the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) in Ontario, Canada (Jun. 2, 2005)
- Untitled. Filmed for a 5-minute video clip on Avenues to Expert Searching: Education and Training for the Medical Library Association’s satellite teleconference, *Roles and Essential Skills of the Expert Searcher* (Mar. 10, 2004)
- Feddern, T. Developing EBM Instructional Materials for Medical Students. Paper presentation. Annual meeting of the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association in Coral Gables, Florida (Oct. 12, 2003)

Posters:

- Feddern-Bekcan, T. & Arriaga, J. E. Benefits and Perquisites: Attracting and Retaining Valuable Librarians. Poster presentation accepted for the 2009 Medical Library Association Annual Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii (May 19, 2009)
- Garcia-Barcena, Y., Feddern-Bekcan, T., & Vaidhyanathan, V. Filters to Support Animal Methodologies Used in Animal Research. Poster presentation accepted for the 2009 Medical Library Association Annual Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii (May 17, 2009)
- Brown H.-A., Allen T., Feddern T., Fitzpatrick R.B., Easterby-Gannett S., McShea K., & Brown M. *Clinical Librarians Filter Without Fear*. Poster presentation. The 2004 Medical Library Association Annual Conference in San Diego, California (May 26, 2004)

Leadership and Mentoring:

- Vice-President of the Florida Health Sciences Library Association (2009 – present)
- Currently working with occupational therapist Susan Skees Hermes on developing a mentoring program for Florida occupational therapy practitioners (2008 – present).
- Founding member of the Advisory Board of “Champions” for the Women in Academic Medicine and Leadership of the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine (Sept. 2008 - present)
- Encouraged and assisted four colleagues to join the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP); three are now AHIP, and the other one plans to apply (2003 - present)

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- AHIP Mentor for Devica Samsundar, Electronic Resources Librarian at the Baptist Hospital of Miami library, until she obtained her desired AHIP membership level (May 2007 – Jan. 2008)
- Facilitator for an MLA Roundtable Discussion on New and Emerging Roles for Medical Libraries (Kathryn Smith was the Recorder), at the annual meeting of the Medical Library Association (May 20, 2007)
- Participant in MLA's Colleague Connection Program as meeting mentor for Marie-Claude Laferrière of the Bibliothèque de l'Université Laval (May 18 – 23, 2007)
- Facilitator for an MLA Roundtable Discussion on Curriculum Integration (Elizabeth Eaton was the Recorder), at the annual meeting of the Medical Library Association (May 21, 2006)
- Nominated (sometimes more than once) for various positions in MLA (Nursing and Allied Health Resources Program Chair/Chair-Elect and Pharmacy and Drug Information Section Program Chair/Chair-Elect) and in the Florida Health Sciences Library Association (Vice President/President-Elect and Honors and Awards Committee Chair), but I had to turn them down due to pressing work responsibilities (2004 – 2009)
- Judge for selected research papers at the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association Annual Conference (Oct. 20-24, 2005)
- Along with Pamela Sherwill-Navarro (University of Florida) and Joaquin Arriaga (University of Miami), led a Poolside Chat on Evidence-Based Medicine and Nursing at the annual meeting of the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (Oct. 12, 2003)
- Website (no longer updated)—online resource for occupational therapists, students, and other healthcare professionals (<http://www.geocities.com/nqiya>); the site has been linked from two government entities, several prestigious medical universities and/or their libraries, as a library and information science class reading, and more (<http://www.geocities.com/nqiya/kudos.html>)

Demonstration/Group Activity:

- Was a “murder suspect” in the Clue CSI Miami skit that illustrated the importance of Evidence-Based Practice at the Nursing Excellence Conference: Bringing Best Evidence to the Point of Care (Jan. 10, 2008).
- Ewers, K. & Feddern-Bekcan, T. Table Talks: Educational Resources for Making Everyday Practice Best Practice. Presented in Coral Gables, Florida at the South Florida Winter Evidence-Based Nursing Institute by the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO), UM School of Nursing and Health Studies, and Jackson Health System/Public Health Trust (Jan. 8, 2008).

Memberships:

- Librarian Advisory Council for DynaMed, a point of care, medical information database of over 1800 disease topics (2002 - 2002)

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- Ex officio member of the FHSLA Executive Committee (2001 - 2003)
- Medical Library Association (and various sections and interest groups)—member (2000 - present)
 - Medical Library Association Internet Special Interest Group—Steering Committee Board Member (2000 - 2003)
- Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association—member (2001 - present)
- Florida Health Sciences Library Association—member (2001 - present)
 - Florida Health Sciences Library Association Honors and Awards Committee Member—founding member (2003 - 2004)
- Florida Innovative Users Group—member (2000)
- American Library Association (and various sections and interest groups)—member (2000 - 2001, 2002 - 2003)
- Florida Library Association (and various sections and interest groups)—member (2000 - 2001)
- Broward County Library Association—member (2001 - 2002)
- World Federation of Occupational Therapists—member (1998, 2000 - 2001, 2009 - present)
- American Occupational Therapy Association—member (1997 - 2003, 2006 - present)
- Florida Occupational Therapy Association—member (2000 - 2003, 2005 - present)

TEACHING

Academic:

- Guest Lecturer for the Physical Therapy Faculty retreat at the UM Physical Therapy department at the UM Coral Gables Campus (Jun. 24, 2009)
- Course mentor for the University of South Carolina online graduate-level course, J758 Consumer Health Resources and Information Services, taught by Feili Tu, PhD (Jan. - Apr. 2009)
- Guest lecturer and course mentor for the University of South Carolina online graduate-level course, J749 Health Sciences Information Resources, taught by Feili Tu, PhD (Aug. - Dec. 2008)
- Co-developed (with Nurse Educator Kathryn Ewers), a hospital-based certificate in Evidence-Based Nursing for the Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida; at that time, we were one of the first in the nation to do so (Jan. 2006)
- As part of my job, I teach classes on utilizing Evidence-Based Practice principles with the Ovid MEDLINE and Ovid CINAHL databases; since 2005 and 2006 respectively, these classes have been approved for 2 CEs for Florida nurses and respiratory therapists. CE approval occupational therapists will be applied for. According to our Ovid statistics, in 2004, only 1,067 CINAHL search sessions were performed. For 2005, it jumped to 14,367 searches, and if the had trend

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- continued, over 20,000 searches would have been performed in CINAHL by the end of 2006. (The library switched software platforms, Ovid to EBSCO, so this disrupted the trend.) I believe that part of this is due to my database classes, Nurse Kathryn Ewers' evidence-based practice classes, and increased interest in Magnet status and evidence-based practice (2005 - present)
- Annual guest lecturer on Evidence-Based Medicine and Ovid MEDLINE—PTS516, Clinical Research I, University of Miami; handouts are provided to the physical therapy students (2003 - present)
 - EBM Core Instructor for EBM501, Introduction to Evidence Based Medicine and Use of the Biomedical Literature, a section within Population Medicine & Evidence-Based Practice, a 2-year longitudinal theme in the medical school curriculum; NOTE: the longitudinal theme is now classified as Doctoring I-IV (Fall 2002 - present)
 - Compiled and/or researched and wrote approximately 300 pages of instructional support materials for the abovementioned course, EBM501, Introduction to Evidence Based Medicine and Use of the Biomedical Literature (Fall 2002 – present)
 - *Providing Health Information Resources and Services in Other Languages*—with Kris Alpi and Barbara Bibel; MLA Annual Conference, San Diego (May 3, 2003)
 - An approved instructor for a Medical Library Association approved CE course (8 CE), *Providing Health Information Resources and Services in Other Languages*, which was co-written by Kris Alpi, Barbara Bibel, and myself; a 47-page packet of instructional materials accompanies the course (2002 - present)
 - Guest lecturer on medical databases (PubMed and MEDLINEplus)—LIS 6609, Online Information Sources, University of South Florida; a folder with handouts was provided to the library and information science students (Feb. 10, 2001)

Public:

- Create Your Own Website—Yahoo!Geocities Page Wizards tutorial; included handout (Jan. 13 and 27, Feb. 10 and 24, and Mar. 10, 2001)
- Romance Sub-Genres—Reader's Advisory resources (print and electronic) and definitions of the sub-genres; included handout (Feb. 13, 2001)
- How to Find Health Information—MEDLINEplus tutorial; included handout (Jan. 18, Feb. 6, 2001)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Beta Phi Mu
- Seal of Approval Award from the Broward County Library System for “demonstrating exceptional performance in the delivery of library services”
- Golden Key International Honour Society

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SERVICE

University Committee:

- University of Miami Sophomore Promotions Committee (2002 - present)
- University of Miami Freshmen Promotions Committee (2002 - present)
- University of Miami Curriculum Advisory Committee (2002 - present)
- Nova Southeastern University's Strategic Plan for 2000 - 2003—participated in the committee to devise strategies for the following goal: "To expand access to electronic and print collections/resources to support curricular needs" (Aug. 2000)

Community:

- Participated as a medical librarian in community health fairs in Monroe and Miami-Dade counties as part of the UM DOCS program (2009 - present)
- Participated as an occupational therapist in CarFit, a community service for senior citizens (2009 - present)