

MISSOURI'S CONSUMER HEALTH LIBRARIES



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Consumer Health Libraries a Wide Variety

- **Space** – single room, free-standing buildings, within hospital, on hospital campus
- **Staffing** – librarians, nurses, patient educators, social workers, trained staff, volunteers, combination
- **Services & Resources** – print materials, audiovisuals, electronic resources, models, patient education, health screenings, wellness programs, subject specific information services

Benefits of Hospital Affiliation

- Relationship with Medical Library
- Additional resources
- Additional expertise
- Hospital culture and community

Consumer Health Libraries

- Van K. Smith Community Health Library, Spr.
- Mercy Health Resource Center, Joplin
- Kreamer Family Resource Center, K.C.
- Claypool Health Information Center, St. Louis
- Krey Cancer Information Center, St. Louis
- Family Resource Center, St. Louis

Van K. Smith Community Health Library

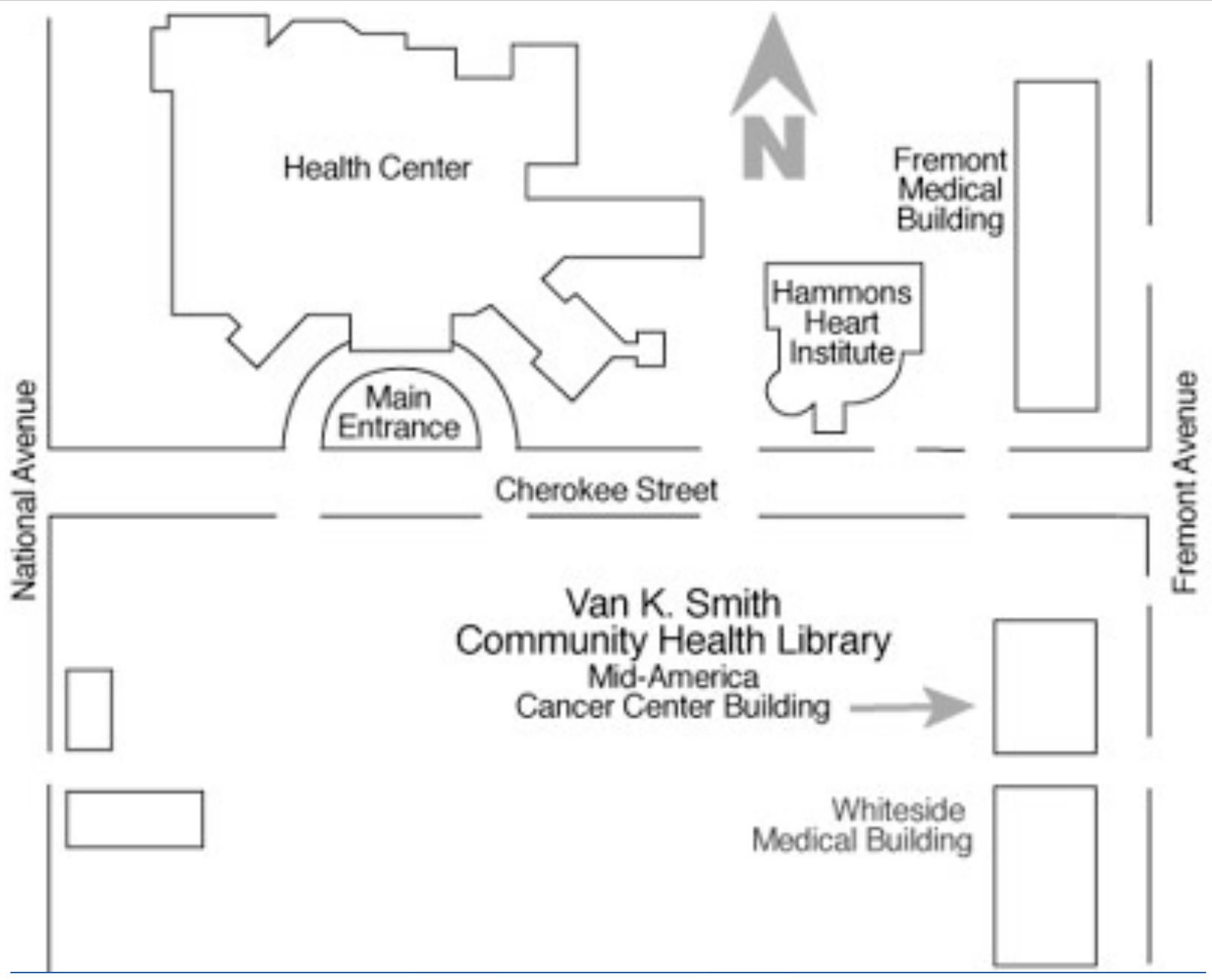
- St. John's Health System, Springfield
- Established 1990
- Located in St. John's Cancer Center
- Full range of materials
- Staffed by librarians and volunteers
- Formal relationship with hospital's Medical Library



www.stjohns.com/libraries



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Mercy Health Resource Center

- St. John's Regional Medical Center, Joplin
- Established 1997
- Located in free-standing building
- Full range of materials
- Staffed by librarians and volunteers
- Formal relationship with Medical Library
- Planetree-affiliated library



www.mercylibrary.org



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Kreamer Family Resource Center

- Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City
- Established around 1999
- Located in hospital, not visible from lobby
- Full range of materials
- Homework support, recreational reading
- Staffed by librarian, volunteers
- Collegial relationship with Medical Library



www.childrens-mercy.org



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Nancy Sue Claypool Health Information Center

- St. Mary's Health Center, St. Louis
- Located in hospital, main corridor
- Full range of materials
- Volunteer staffing (retired RNs)
- Supervised by Medical Library director



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John F. Krey III

Cancer Information Center

- St. John's Mercy Medical Center, St. Louis
- Located in Cancer Center
- Core collection of materials
- Offer health screenings, massage therapy, lymphedema therapy, support groups
- Staffed by oncology-certified RNs
- Private consultation; referral to Medical Library for comprehensive resources



www.kreyforhealth.org

Family Resource Center

- St. Louis Children's Hospital
- Established around 1999
- Located on hospital's 3rd floor, above atrium
- Full range of materials
- Multidisciplinary staff (librarian, nurse, social worker)
- Collegial relationship with Medical Library & Washington University



www.stlouischildrens.org



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Need assistance with health-related topics?

- Contact -

a Consumer Health Library in your area

- CAPHIS National Directory of Consumer Health Libraries **caphis.mlanet.org**
- MEDLINEplus **www.medlineplus.gov/libraries**

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