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*****The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas library offers AVLINE, new audiovisual reference service.

DALLAS--The University of Texas Health Science Center library is now experimenting with AVLINE, a new audio-visual reference service created by the National Library of Medicine.

Similar to the already-established MEDLINE service, the new system provides users with lists of selected audio-visual materials on given subjects, particularly the neurosciences and psychiatry. MEDLINE is an in-depth computerized version of the Index Medicus, listing journal articles and other medical publications. While the variety of AVLINE topics is now limited, the list is to expand to around 800 titles by Sept. 1.

The system is currently offered on a free trial basis until Sept. 1, at which time users will be billed at the same rates as for other NLM on-line services. Films, videotapes and slide/tape kits make up the provided audio-visuals.

Those interested in AVLINE first submit needed information to Ms. Mary Rydesky, audio-visual librarian at the center, who then feeds the request into the AVLINE computer. The computer locates material dealing with the requested topic, which is then given to the one making the initial order.

For further information, contact Ms. Rydesky at the center library, 688-2005.

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