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AHEC Bulletin news brief with picture

Nevada AHEC launches traveling computer system

Nevada health professionals and physicians, often separated from library resources by hundreds of miles, are now taking advantage of the AHEC Learning Resource Center's traveling computer which gives them access to the latest medical research and published articles.

The system, a CD ROM, has already been used in many Nevada communities and is placed at local hospitals or clinics where it is available for all health professionals and physicians in the area to use. This system gives the local nurses, physicians and other health care professionals access to over 500 professional journals and articles on a variety of subjects.

When placed in a community, the system stays for at least one month before moving on to its next temporary home. The system utilizes CDs, much like the latest stereo systems. These are updated every three months with a completely new disk containing information from the National Library of Medicine.

Gerald Ackerman, Learning Resources Coordinator, said he believes the system helps Nevada health professionals deal with the isolation common in such a frontier state as well as giving them access to the most recent medical information.

Donald Jones, education director for the Humboldt General Hospital in Winnemucca, about 200 miles from Reno, agreed and said, "It's very simple to use and very useful. I just love it."

For information on the system, call 702-738-3828.