

Information Management Competencies (5/10/2011)
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By graduation, all NYMC students, residents, and fellows should be able to find, evaluate, use and communicate information. Furthermore all should demonstrate understanding of information literacy as a set of skills that are transferrable and fundamental to education, research, patient care and life-long learning.

Specifically, graduates will be able to:

1. Define an information need in terms of developing a searchable question;
2. Select appropriate resources relative to an information need in order to find the best available information;
3. Demonstrate the use of search terms and database features to construct a logical search strategy;
4. Evaluate information resources and the quality of information retrieved including the source, authorship, currency, quality, reliability, and applicability to professional practice;
5. Synthesize and summarize information to produce original content appropriate for an intended purpose, to include a well formatted bibliography;
6. Demonstrate understanding of intellectual property and copyright laws, including plagiarism, the ethical use of information and fair use;