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DOCLINE 5.0 Introduces Serials Embargo Information

NLM released DOCLINE 5.0 on 8/27/14.

The most notable DOCLINE 5.0 enhancement is the inclusion of interlibrary lending (ILL) embargo periods within electronic journal serial holdings records. The DOCLINE automated request routing algorithm uses the new embargo data as one of the criteria for matching potential lenders with requested articles.   This allows DOCLINE to bypass lenders unable to supply a requested article if the publication date falls within the publisher's embargo periods. This adds greater efficiency and speed to the routing and delivery process.

The new Embargo Period field allows libraries to record the number of months an electronic journal title is embargoed for ILL, according to publisher license agreements. When a library requests a citation with a PubMed identifier (PMID), the DOCLINE routing algorithm uses the ePubDate to determine whether a lender can or cannot provide the article dependent upon the lender's license-determined embargo period.

If a DOCLINE library is a LinkOut via Submission Utility or LinkOut Local participant, DOCLINE automatically defaults to using LinkOut embargo information. Libraries can manually enter an embargo period for specific title(s) if the LinkOut embargo is different from the ILL embargo. The LinkOut embargo option is not available for libraries using Outside Tool.

Libraries searching other's holdings will most likely search using the 'no embargo' option when searching for a desired volume. Remember though that there is no title level information if the holding is set to use LinkOut. The most accurate check will be by the DOCLINE routing algorithm during borrow so libraries are encouraged to let DOCLINE handle this checking automatically.

Docline Customer Service – "Unfortunately, there is not currently a method for batch update of holdings in DOCLINE. For users that report large numbers of electronic holdings, we suggest using the "1-8 Ranked List of Serial Titles -

Lender" reports as a guide to what titles are most requested and begin recording embargoes there for the most immediate impact. Alternately, as requests come in for embargoed titles, use them as a prompt to update holdings."

For more information on the new embargo features, please see: http://www.nlm.nih.gov/docline/docline_rel_info_v5_0.html, and the Technical Bulletin article: http://www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/techbull/so14/so14_docline_release.html

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2,558 Docline libraries

1.41 million ILL Requests in FY2013

Over 1.7 million serial holdings records [1.09 million print, 588,000+ e-journals (34.43%)]

ILL requests by DOCLINE libraries continues its downward trend. Since the peak in 2002, we have seen a 54% decrease in ILL traffic in DOCLINE including a 9% decrease last year.

The 2013 Docline ILL survey responses showed just over half of electronic journal licenses permit ILL, and that ILLs is the top method of obtaining literature.

The downward trend for Loansome Doc continues with a 9% decline last year and a 73.1% decrease in requests since 2002.

53 libraries have committed to retain MedPrint titles (details at ttp://www.nlm.nih.gov/psd/printretentionmain.html

Libraries should edit their routing table at least annually. (Remove closed libraries, consider adding library groups).

For Powerpoint presentation on Docline 5 enhancements as well as upcoming features such as Performance Data & more see http://www.nlm.nih.gov/docline/presentations/MLA_2014_DOCLINE_Update.pptx