

Notes from the Health Sciences Library - November 10, 2021

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Focus on Narrative Medicine

Narrative Medicine is a practice in which we recognize, absorb, metabolize, and allow ourselves to be moved by stories of illness and health. Doing so can awaken the shared humanity of all people who are navigating illness and help us respect and nourish those affected by illness.

- Narrative Medicine: A Model for Empathy, Reflection, Profession, and Trust (JAMA, 2001)
- Honoring the Stories of Illness (Dr. Rita Charon, TEDx video, 2011)
- The Problem(s) With Narrative Medicine (blog post, 2014)



There are lots of neat resources online to explore:

- The Journal of Humanities in Rehabilitation: A Creative Exploration of the Human Experience of Disability and Healing A peer-reviewed, multimedia, open-access journal published in collaboration with the Emory Center for Digital Scholarship. The purpose of this journal is to raise the consciousness and deepen the intellect of the humanistic relationship in the rehabilitation sciences.
- Northwest Narrative Medicine Collaborative
 Stories from patients, health care professionals, clinicians, caregivers, writers, artists, and scholars.
- Narrative Matters: On Our Reading List
 An archive of essays from Health Affairs journal that share compelling health care narratives.
- · Brave Enough: Exploring Language Barriers in Doctor-Patient Communication Through Narrative Medicine



Charon, R. (2006). Narrative medicine: honoring the stories of illness. Oxford University Press.



Charon, R., et al. (2017). The principles and practice of narrative medicine. Oxford University Press

Check out a book to read over Thanksgiving break!

Over the last few years I've spent some time crafting a collection of books in the **Health Sciences Library** that speak to Narrative Medicine. Perhaps during this brief holiday you might find some time for an inspiring story - or plan ahead for the winter break! I invite you to check these

out (they are prominently displayed in the HSL book room).



Read Weekly Notes from previous dates.

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Want to meet with me? Check my calendar to set up a Zoom meeting.