



Doody's Special Topics Lists List Selector Role Description

Description

In October 2020, Doody Enterprises introduced a new collection development tool called the ***Doody's Special Topics List (DSTL)***. DSTLs are curated lists of books in the health sciences covering a particularly important and timely topic. Each year, four lists are published on the first business day of October, January, April, and July. DSTLs are integrated into our ***Doody's Review Service***[®] and ***Doody's Core Titles***[®] subscription websites as well as our licensing partners' services, including those made available by Rittenhouse, Matthews, Ovid, EBSCO/GOBI, Login Canada, and ProQuest.

List Selector Role

Three List Selectors are invited from a list of candidates proposed by the Editorial Board. List Selectors have demonstrated experience with the topic they are working on, including but not limited to publications, resource guides, instruction, or work with a specific population. In addition, they are often familiar with either ***Doody's Core Titles*** or ***Doody's Review Service***.

Tasks

Doody's staff will provide List Selectors guidelines for selecting the titles as well as access and orientation to ***Doody's Review Service***, which serves as the principal tool for list selection. Guidelines will include the copyright range and other criteria upon which to base selections. It is the responsibility of the List Selectors to...

- Select titles for consideration to include on the list.
- Collaborate with the other two selectors in finalizing a list that a majority of the List Selectors agree on.

Methodology

All List Selectors will attend a synchronous group orientation to learn how to use the ***Doody's Review Service*** Advanced Search and List Manager functions. During this orientation, List Selectors will also discuss the parameters of the topic and devise a list of key search terms to help structure their work. List Selectors are encouraged to search for titles outside of Doody's database and recommend titles to be added.