



## Quick Guide to Lexi-Comp

### What is Lexi-Comp?

Lexi-Comp is an online drug information system providing convenient access to concise drug overviews, drug interactions, lab tests, and diagnostic procedures, as well as specific sections for nursing assessment & monitoring, pediatric and geriatric care, drug toxicology, and natural products. Lexi-Comp's extensive patient education module features customized patient advisory leaflets for adult and pediatric medications in up to 18 languages, and leaflets covering conditions, procedures, and tests in English and Spanish. Also included are drug identification tools, IV compatibility information (King Guide), Special Alerts, FDA recalls, and clinical calculators. Lexi-Comp is a licensed resource sponsored by the Health Sciences Library for use by Upstate faculty, students, and staff.

### How do I access Lexi-Comp?

#### *On campus*

Lexi-Comp can be accessed in a variety of ways from Upstate web pages.

Health Sciences Library

<http://www.upstate.edu/library/>

Select from Databases menu or under Drug Information

Nursing

<http://www.upstate.edu/uha/nursing/>

iPage/Nursing@University Hospital

Select Nursing Governance/Patient Education

Patient Education

<http://www.upstate.edu/pated/>

iPage/Healthcare Providers

Select under Quick Links/Patient Education

IMT Web Applications

<http://www.upstate.edu/imtintra/apps.shtml>

iPage/Administrators/Managers

Select IMT Web App Portal

Healthcare Providers

<http://www.upstate.edu/intra/healthproviders.php>

iPage/Healthcare Providers

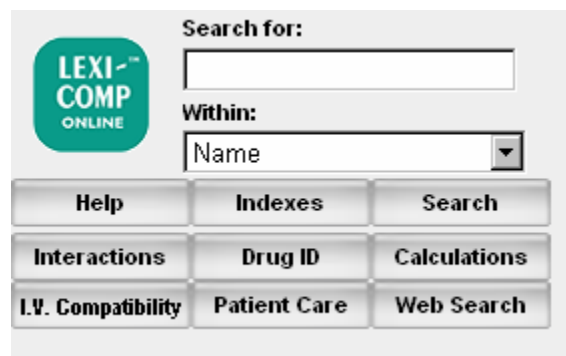
Select under Physician/Nursing & Medical Staff Services

#### *Off campus*

To access Lexi-Comp from off campus, go to any of the above access points. At the authentication page, log in with your Upstate Novell Network ID and password.

## How do I search Lexi-Comp?

Use the Search Panel in the upper left corner of the Lexi-Comp main page:



The screenshot shows the Lexi-Comp search panel. On the left is the Lexi-Comp Online logo. To its right is a 'Search for:' text box. Below that is a 'Within:' dropdown menu currently set to 'Name'. At the bottom of the panel is a grid of buttons: 'Help', 'Indexes', 'Search', 'Interactions', 'Drug ID', 'Calculations', 'I.V. Compatibility', 'Patient Care', and 'Web Search'.

### To search for a drug:

1. Enter a drug name (brand or generic) in the *Search for* box.  
You may also enter part of a name, e.g., "war" for "warfarin"
2. Click on the Search button or hit Enter.
3. Select from the *Search Results* display below the Search Panel:
  - *Lexi-Drugs Online* offers concise information needed at the point of care, as well as convenient links to images, interactions, and patient leaflets for the selected drug.
  - *AHFS Drug Information Essentials* gives a more detailed level of actionable drug information, including off-label uses.
  - *AHFS Drug Information* gives the deepest level of drug information with off-label uses and recommendations.
4. The selected document displays in the Content Panel; move through content by using the *Jump To Field*, by scrolling, or by selecting from the Table of Contents appearing in the panel to the left.

### To browse lists of drugs, instead of searching:

1. Click the *Indexes* button in the Search Panel.
2. Select desired list (brand names, generic names, changed last 7 days, special alerts, etc.) from the Results panel below.

### To open special applications within Lexi-Comp:

1. Drug ID, Interactions, Calculations, IV Compatibility, Patient Care are special applications available to Upstate users.
2. Buttons for these applications are in bottom two rows of Search Panel.
3. Click desired application and follow prompts in resulting Search Panel. Help and user guides are offered within each application.

## Help

A Brief Online Tutorial and a Detailed User Guide are offered on the Lexi-Comp main page. Help is also available within specific applications. For additional questions or to request training at your workplace, please contact the Library Reference Desk:

- Phone: 464-4581 (Mon-Fri 8:30-5 and Sat 12-4)
- Email: [askalibrarian@upstate.edu](mailto:askalibrarian@upstate.edu)
- You may also click the icon below to send an email request.

