

FREE MATERIALS -- 13th NATIONAL LEGAL RESEARCH TEACH-IN

The **2005 Teach-In** campaign is under way and prepared to bring you an excellent package of materials to enhance your instructional programs.

The 13th National Legal Research Teach-In, brought to you by the Research Instruction & Patron Services SIS (RIPS-SIS) and scheduled in conjunction with National Library Week (April 10-16, 2005), offers the opportunity to improve the skills of your patrons and showcase your skills as a teacher and information provider. As in previous years, the Teach-In committee has worked with West and LexisNexis to prepare unique instructional and promotional materials. Thanks to generous donations from the two companies, the MATERIALS WILL again BE AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE. It is a true measure of their commitment to the law library community that both West and LexisNexis continue to underwrite this activity, as they have since its inception thirteen years ago.

TRAINING RESOURCE KITS -- This year's Kit tackles emerging topics for legal research instruction and includes full color slide presentations with speaker's notes to provide that extra assistance to get an instructional program off the ground. One kit per institution is available free of charge from West. Contact West Marketing Support, by fax 1-800-854-1597 or email west.mkgsupport@thomson.com by March 15, 2005. Be sure to provide your name, address, institution, telephone number, and, if available, your West account number.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS -- Colorful self-adhesive notepads, designed with Teach-In committee assistance and produced by LexisNexis, can help you promote your 2005 Teach-In activities. These 4" x 6" self-adhesive pads will be perfect for your Teach-In training sessions where patrons can jot down your helpful research tips. An online order form will be available at <http://www.lexisnexis.com/teachin/> beginning January 31st and ending March 14th or until quantities are depleted. If you are unable to access this online form, please contact via fax (937-865-1585) Lori Blair, Marketing Manager, LexisNexis Librarian Relations Group with your name, organization, full mailing address, email and quantity required.

Notepads and Resource Training Kits will begin shipping the middle of March, so you will receive them in time for your National Library Week events.

Now is the time to make the commitment that your library will conduct some sort of event involving legal research this year. With the vast amount of materials available to you, it is easy to plan an educational event. If you need more ideas, descriptions of Teach-In kits from previous years can be found on the RIPS-SIS web page at <http://www.aallnet.org/sis/ripssis>. Past years' kits can be obtained through AALL Headquarters. Contact: AALL, 312-939-4764.

Questions or comments about the 2005 Legal Research Teach-In should be directed to the coordinators for the event, Gail A. Partin, Law Librarian, Dickinson School of Law,

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