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The purpose of this research is to study the appropriate types of service given through a pilot project entitled the current awareness service at the Faculty of Medicine's Library, Prince of Songkla University. The project aims at providing two types of services to medical instructors that are photocopying of journals and new publication contents and the abstracting service of new publications. The study also attempts to determine attitudes and satisfactory levels for medical instructors regarding the project in terms of teaching needs, producing publications, therapy and need in other type of current awareness services from the sample group ie. 52 medical instructors from each department of the faculty. Normal duration of the experiment is 6 months, to be repeated 12 times.

Major findings are as follows: Medical instructors are satisfied with the appropriateness as well as the usefulness of both types of service to fulfil the required objectives. Besides they need the abstracting service of special articles more than the photocopying service of journals and new publication contents. The results also indicate that medical instructors need the photocopying service done bi-weekly and the abstracting service monthly. The average number of titles of the photocopying service requested by them are 6-10. They also request what they need abstracting service ie. from the academic journals, research articles and MEDLINE CD-ROM. Their preference are the informations from both inside and outside the library, and most of them also require the latest.