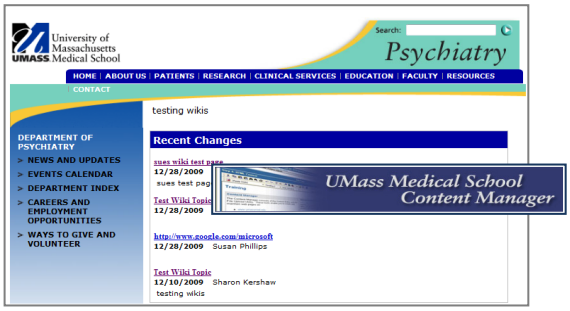
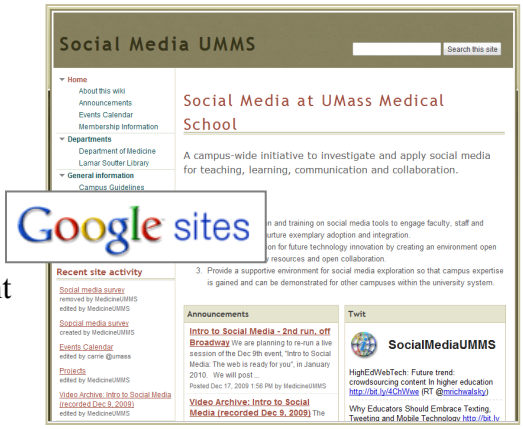
Description

A ***wiki*** (pronounced WIK-ee) is a website that allows the easy creation and editing of any number of interlinked web pages via a web browser using a simplified markup language or a WYSIWYG text editor. Wikis are typically powered by wiki software and are often used to create collaborative websites, to power community websites, for personal note taking, in corporate intranets, and in knowledge management systems (Wikipedia, 2010).



After completing UMMS Content Management System training, UMMS users may add a *wiki widget* to their UMMS webpage(s). Alternatively, the UMMS user can use wiki software housed on non-UMMS web sites, such as *Google sites*.



Note: UMMS policy discourages un-moderated and stagnant wikis on the UMMS website.

General Strengths & Weaknesses

One UMMS user reports…*We have a residency wiki to allow residents to train for board exams and post things for one another to use in their work. Most people run hot and cold on this – they post a few things and then stop checking it.*

Peer Resources

Sheldon Benjamin (Psychiatry Residency Wiki on the UMMS webpage)
Deborah Field
Melissa Fischer
Patricia Franklin
Mary Hawthorne
Tracy Kedian
Suzana Makowski
Mark Manning
Carrie Saarinen (Social Media at UMMS on Google sites)

UMMS Information Resources Support

To incorporate a wiki into a UMMS webpage, the UMMS CMS trained user can contact the UMMS HelpDesk for assistance with adding the CMS wiki widget. UMMS does *not* support the use of wiki software such as the *Google sites* example.

Contact the UMMS HelpDesk

For more information:

Wikipedia contributors. Wiki. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. December 31, 2009, 12:44 UTC. Available at: http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Wiki&oldid=335097401. Accessed January 4, 2010.

"Attend" the *UMMS presentation about Social Media* via ConnectMeeting

View *Wikis in Plain English (thanks, Carrie!)*