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Formed by the prostitute's rights organization COYOTE, CAL-PEP exists to educate sex workers, as well as clients and other sex partners, about HIV and AIDS. This handbook outlines a training program designed to do that; also emphasizes the need to eradicate the insane police practice of confiscating condoms, spermicides, bleach bottles, and drug paraphernalia during arrests. Appendices include safer sex and drug use guidelines, organizations of prostitutes in the United States, prostitution laws and enforcement practices, and studies of HIV infection among North American prostitutes.

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Amazing what passes for truth here. Kaplan would have us all take the antibody test before having sex with members of dreaded risk groups. Either that or not have sex at all. Again, she confuses risk groups with risk behaviors, raising fears about transmission, then dispelling them for hets. Chances are so slim, you know. And guess what, there's no such thing as woman-to-woman sex. ACTUP's Women's Caucus zapped this little piece of work by adhering warning stickers to copies on bookstore shelves.

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Like many other books on the general topic of AIDS, Langone's excludes discussion about how HIV affects women. Langone and Little Brown are remiss in oh so many ways, though. Get this: there's a chapter entitled "How did the virus go from monkeys to humans."

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Well, for heaven's sake. For the first volume in Continuum's counseling series, psychologist Lester addresses us solely as caretakers of men. Yes, women do comfort the sick, change the sheets, and cook the food, but we also get AIDS and HIV infection! There is just a tad about how HIV affects women's bodies. Lester bolsters women's role as nurturing others, saying, for example, that women "do not face the stigma of contracting and transmitting the disease through homosexuality".

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Lorde tells the story of her meeting the Western medical establishment. Her insight in this telling is characteristically profound. Also see Lorde's essay "Uses of the Erotic," *Sister Outsider*. Trumansburg, NY: Crossing, 1984.

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Women Healthsharing is a dynamite women's health care journal run collectively in Toronto. This article covers some basic issues around women and HIV: transmission, safer sex for hets and lesbians, testing, and epidemiology. Darien Taylor's "Testing Positive: Supporting Women With HIV," in the March 1990 issue discusses how and why seropositive women can support each other.

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Go, Donna. This was the first article in the Voice discussing safer sex for lesbians.

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Interviews W.A.R.N.'s Vivian Brown and Debra Mackay about work with sex workers and sex partners of needle-sharers in Los Angeles.

Moraga, Cherrie and Gloria Anzaldua, eds. *This Bridge Called My Back: Writings By Radical Women of Color*. New York: Kitchen Table/Women of Color Press, 1981.

This landmark anthology contains analysis, poetry, interviews, and essays that enrich, revise, and shake down feminist thought. Includes Audre Lorde's "The Master's Tools Will Never Dismantle the Master's House" and the Combahee River Collective's "A Black Feminist Statement."

Morin, Jack. *Anal Pleasure and Health: A Guide for Men and Women*. Burlingame, CA: YES Press, 1989.

There should be a slew of new books with this matter-of-fact focus on anal sex, but this title stands virtually alone on bookstore shelves. This stuff is VITAL to know if you partake in butt fucking. It's written well and fun to read.

Murray, Marea. "Battles Joined: Odyssey of a Lesbian AIDS Activist," *Gay Community News*, February - March 1988 (5-part series).

Murray has written lots about AIDS activism and safer Lesbian sex in *Gay Community News*, *Bad Attitude*, *On Our Backs*, and *Bay Windows*.

Norwood, Chris. *Advice for Life: A Woman's Guide to AIDS Risks and Prevention*. A National Women's Health Network Guide. New York: Pantheon, 1987.

Norwood realizes that women, not men, need to talk to each other about transmission issues. But her advice here is divisive. She blames prostitutes for heterosexual AIDS, focusing concern for 'innocent' women 'victimized' by men who've had illicit sex with men or prostitutes. She wants antibody testing to be a public imperative. Norwood says that as long as blood isn't involved, there's "no indication that dental dams are generally needed when having oral sex with a woman. We may want to use them with an infected partner, she says, to "simply feel safer."

-----. "Alarming Rise in Deaths: Are Women Showing New AIDS Symptoms? *Ms.*, July 1988.

Norwood is right here, though, in noting that the CDC undercounts the number of women who die from HIV-related illnesses because certain diseases are officially ignored. For example, the CDC definition of AIDS fails to include pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), common among HIV-infected women. The CDC defines AIDS by symptoms men exhibit, ignoring those only exhibited by HIV-infected women.

-----. "AIDS: The Toll of Apathy," The Discovery Channel, February 1990.

Norwood talks to WARN's Marie St. Cyr and ADAPT's Yolanda Serrano for this article. Swinging around to better sense from her *Advice for Life*, she says here that "a tiny (HIV) virus doesn't require an open lesion for infection." So should cunnilinguists use barriers now? Norwood likes the idea of mandatory partner notification, assuming that the state cutting through us like that will really be for our own good in the long run. As Norwood suggests, *Cosmo* should retract the misinformation Dr. Gould presented. She might examine her own thinking about transmission, choice, and volition as well.

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Includes an article "Women and AIDS" by P. Clay Stephens, formerly of Fenway Community Health Center in Boston.

Our Lives in the Balance: U.S. Women of Color and the AIDS Epidemic. Latham, NY: Kitchen Table Women of Color Press, 1990.

Co-editors Alma Crawford, Val Kanuha, Aleah Long, Veneita Porter, Helen Rodriguez, and Beverly Smith have created the first book presenting responses of women of color to the AIDS/HIV health crisis. Slated to be released sometime in 1990, *Our Lives* features conversations with women PWAs, as well as activists and

health care workers discussing the challenges faced and visions created. Text in English and Spanish.

Outweek. 159 West 25th Street, New York, NY 10001, 212/337-1200. Weekly. June 1989-.

This new queer weekly out of New York keeps close tabs on politics, especially ACTUP's. You've heard of 'outing?' It started here. The boys try hard to cover lesbian and women's issues, and they do pretty well, tons better than the *Native*. Maybe *Outweek* will get more dykes with serious editorial power on staff soon.

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Published in association with the Norwegian Red Cross, this contains statistics on HIV and AIDS cases from third world countries. It identifies the countries most affected by AIDS (French Guiana, Bermuda, Bahamas, Congo, USA, Guadeloupe, Burundi, Haiti, Barbados, Trinidad - in that order) by using WHO statistics for the number of AIDS cases per million. Suggests African governments are reluctant to reveal the large scale of the AIDS pandemic. The Chirimuutas challenge the statistics and strategy (see above).

Patton, Cindy. *Sex and Germs: The Politics of AIDS*. Boston: South End Press, 1985.

A smart and passionate telling of gay/lesbian grassroots political response to AIDS. Patton, a political activist and health care worker, broke ground with this work, which has synthesized and catalyzed gay and lesbian political response to the pandemic. Patton has written intelligently about AIDS and activism from the early days. See especially her work in *Gay Community News*. You also might be interested in the interview with Patton in the April 1989 issue of *Rites* where she talks about porn, safer sex for women, politics, and stuff. Also see her piece on the AIDS 'industry' in Carter and Watney's *Taking Liberties*. *Sex and Germs*

received the American Library Association's 1985 Lesbian and Gay Book Award.

Patton, Cindy and Janis Kelly. *Making It: A Woman's Guide to Sex in the Age of AIDS*. Ithaca, NY: Firebrand Books, 1987.

In Spanish (translation by Papusa Molina) and English with illustrations by Allison Bechdel, this is the best, most thorough, explicit, and entertaining guide for doing it more safely, heterosexual- and lesbian- wise.

Patton, Cindy and Jennifer Walter. "Sexual Choices and Testing," *Sojourner*, July 1987.

Discusses the politics of HIV testing.

Peavey, Fran. *A Shallow Pool of Time: An HIV+ Woman Grapples with the AIDS Epidemic*. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers, 1990.

Peavey, a San Franciscan, shares thoughts about how AIDS and HIV have affected her community and her life.

Petchesky, Rosalind. *Abortion and Woman's Choice: The State, Sexuality, and Reproductive Freedom*. New York: Longman, 1984.

A thorough feminist treatment of the history of reproductive politics, including the history of its practice and the state's evolving efforts to regulate it. Includes a look at CARASA's politics.

Pharr, Suzanne. *Homophobia: A Weapon of Sexism*. Inverness, CA: Chardon Press, 1988.

An analysis of the relationship between the hatred of queers and the hatred of women.

Pheterson, Gail, ed. *A Vindication of the Rights of Whores: The International Movement for Prostitutes' Rights*. Seattle, WA: Seal Press, 1989.

Like *Sex Work*, this is a fine compilation of essays and writings by working women in a well-spun world wide network. The book is based on the proceedings of the *International Committee for Prostitutes' Rights European Parliament* held in Brussels, October 1986. The voices are clear; the work is excellent.

Potler, Cathy. *AIDS in Prison: A Crisis in New York State Corrections*. The Correctional Association of New York (135 E. 15th St., NY, NY 10003), June 1988.

Summarizes findings and recommendations of the Correctional Association, this state's only public interest organization authorized to make recommendations to the legislature.

PWA Coalition Newslines. New York: PWA Coalition, Inc., 31 West 26th St., New York, NY 10010, 212/532-0290.

Published and distributed free in New York by the PWA Coalition, *Newslines* is a forum of letters, essays, and political and treatment updates by and for PWAs. It has a good resource directory. So far, *Newslines* is not as strong as *The Body Politic* on women's issues.

Pomerantz, Roger, et al. "Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection of the Uterine Cervix," *Annals of Internal Medicine*, Vol. 108:3, March 1988.

Suggests that "HIV enters cervical secretions from selected infected cell populations within the cervical tissue. The HIV-infected cells in cervical tissue may be involved in transmission of HIV by heterosexual contact [sic] and to neonates born to HIV-infected women.

Rhoads, J.L. et al. "Chronic Vaginal Candidiasis in Women with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection," *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Vol. 257:22, June 12, 1987.

HIV-infected women show symptoms different from men. Also see Sillman, F.H. and A. Sedlis. "Anogenital Papillomavirus Infection

and Neoplasia in Immunodeficient Women," *Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinics of North America*, Vol. 14:2, June 1987.

Richardson, Diane. *Women and AIDS*. New York: Methuen, 1988.

Richardson is explicit about safer and unsafe sexual practices and methods of drug use. The book includes transmission information involving blood transfusions, rape, artificial insemination, and pregnancy. It has short-comings, for example it toys with the green monkey theory concerning the origin of HIV. The text sometimes confuses risk groups with risk behaviors. Includes a good resources list.

Rich, Adrienne. "Compulsory Heterosexuality and Lesbian Existence," *Signs*, Vol. 5:4, Summer 1980.

Compulsory Reading for Everyone's Existence.

Ribble, Denise. "Not Just Another Article on Lesbian Safe Sex," *Sappho's Isle*, July 1989.

Includes a risk assessment survey by a most thoughtful and diligent RN.

Rieder, Ines and Patricia Ruppelt, eds. *AIDS: The Women*. Pittsburgh: Cleis Press, 1988.

Setting out to "give a face, or many faces, to women's involvement and affliction with the AIDS epidemic, Rieder and Ruppelt anthologized essays in various categories: Family, lovers, and friends of PWAs; Women with AIDS/ARC and HIV-positive women; The professional caregivers; Lesbians facing AIDS; Prostitution in the age of AIDS; Women AIDS educators; AIDS prevention policies. Forty-one women contributors come from a range of social, cultural, racial, and sexual backgrounds; all have found their lives entirely transformed by AIDS. Though the anthology offers stories, advice, and analysis, it does not include explicit information about HIV transmission, treatment, and preventative practices.

Rosenberg, Michael and Jodie Weiner. "Prostitutes and AIDS: A Health Department Priority?," *American Journal of Public Health*, Vol. 78:4, 1988.

It is painful to read stuff laced so thickly with sexism. This presents uninformed arguments regarding "target[ing]" female prostitutes as a "high priority component" of AIDS prevention strategy.

Route-Gomez, E. "Horizontes takes message about AIDS to S.J. Junkies," *San Juan Star*, January 30, 1989.

Newspaper article about the National Institute on Drug Abuse program for IVDUs in Puerto Rico.

Rubin, Gayle. "The Traffic in Women: Notes on the 'Political Economy' of Sex," *Toward an Anthropology of Women*, ed. Rayna Reiter. New York: Monthly Review Press, 1975.

A lengthy essay on the interdependence of sex, economics, and politics.

Ruzek, Sheryl. *The Women's Health Movement: Feminist Alternatives to Medical Control*. New York: Praeger, 1978.

Feminist analysis of self-help and empowerment, and its potential to revolutionizing the nature of medical care.

Sabatier, Renee, ed. *Blaming Others: Prejudice, Race, and Worldwide AIDS*. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers, 1988.

Black and Hispanic women, Sabatier notes, account for seventy-one percent of reported AIDS cases among women in the United States. Citing "the epidemic of social, cultural, economic and political reactions to AIDS as being "as central to the global AIDS challenge as the disease itself," Sabatier's work focuses on AIDS as it intersects with our prevailing perceptions of sex laden with ethnocentrism, racism, and stigmatization.

Santee, Barbara. *Women and AIDS: The Silent Epidemic*. New York: Women and AIDS Resource Network (135 W. 4th St., c/o United Methodist Church, New York, NY 10012), 1988.

A 26-page well-written, clear-headed treatment of the issues. Santee focuses on risk factors/behaviors as opposed to risk groups; includes comparative data on U.S. and New York City transmission rates.

Schulman, Sarah. "AIDS and Homelessness: Thousands May Die in the Streets," *The Nation*, April 10, 1989.

"According to the Partnership for the Homeless, of the more than 90,000 homeless people in New York City, up to 8,000 have AIDS or AIDS-related complex (ARC). To date, the city has provided sixty-six beds for their care." Sarah's journalism is plain and stark and smart and it bites. She's been writing about politics for a long time, mostly in the queer and feminist press. See particularly "The Left and Passionate Homosexuality" in *GCN*, May 8, 1988; "Women Need Not Apply: Institutional Discrimination in Drug Trials," *Village Voice*, February 23, 1988; "Lesbians Respond to AIDS Hysteria," *New York Native*, December 2, 1988; "Health or Homophobia: Responses to the Bathhouses," *New York Native*, November, 1985; "AIDS Hysteria Will Change Your Life," *Womanews*, December 1986. She's better known these days as a novelist. Her latest, *People in Trouble*, (Dutton, 1990) features a familiar-looking queer/AIDS activist group called Justice.

Shaw, Nancy and Lyn Paleo. "Women and AIDS," *What To Do About AIDS*, ed. Leon McKusick. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1986.

Shaw and Paleo discuss the nature and politics of epidemiology, pregnancy, pediatric issues, and "levels of risk. They point out that, contrary to popular belief, "there is no evidence that prostitutes constitute a special risk category for HIV infection."

SIECUS Report. Sex Information Education Council of the United States.
32 Washington Place, New York, NY 10003. 212/673-3850.

SIECUS was founded in 1964 to establish sex as a "healthy entity in the American psyche. Now loosely affiliated with New York University, SIECUS continues to produce this bi-monthly publication well worth more readership than it currently attracts. They've also got a nifty library you can arrange to visit if you want. See especially:

"Cultural Diversity and Sexuality/AIDS Information and Education, Feb/Mar 1990 (focuses on Latin, Native American, and Asian & Pacific Islander communities); "Sexuality Education, Dec 1989/Jan 1990; "The Truth About Condoms, Nov/Dec 1988;"Adolescent Sexuality and Abstinence, Sep/Oct 1988: "AIDS Prevention and Civil Liberties: the False Security of Mandatory Testing, May/June 1987; "Latino Culture and Sex Education, and Jan/Feb 1987 (with Dooley Worth and Ruth Rodriguez' "Latina Women and AIDS.").

Slaughter, R. "Responding to the AIDS Crises: The Challenge to Shelters," *The Exchange: A Forum on Domestic Violence*, Fall/Winter 1989.

Slaughter is with the W.A.R.N. project in Los Angeles, here emphasizing the crucial role shelter staff could have in meaningful AIDS education.

Snitow, Ann, Christine Stansell, and Sharon Thompson, eds. *Powers of Desire: The Politics of Sexuality*. New York: Monthly Review Press, 1983.

Includes a range of contributions by lesbian, gay, and het women writers about the histories and class/race/sex politics of female sexuality. Most of the essays were published elsewhere first, so the anthology contains a selected range of 'representative' work important to sex lib politics today.

Starr, Paul. *The Social Transformation of American Medicine*. New York: Basic Books, 1982.

This book got a lot of hype in academic circles when it came out. It's a neat little cultural analysis of the development of the empire.

Sturdevant, Sandra. "The Military, Women and AIDS: The Bar Girls of Subic Bay," *The Nation*, April 3, 1989.

Subtitle should be "The Military Boys of Subic Bay." It's about the typically gross irresponsibility of U.S. military men and boys regarding HIV transmission and related issues. Also read Freda Guttman's, "Daughters of the Dispossessed: Prostitution in the Philippines," in *Healthsharing*, Summer 1986.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control, Center for Infectious Diseases, Division of HIV/AIDS. *HIV/AIDS Surveillance*.

We all know the government can't count, but you can get this 15-page monthly report mailed to you free for your own analysis. To get on the mailing list write: Centers for Disease Control, Division of HIV/AIDS, Technical Information Activity, Mailstop G-29, Atlanta, GA 30333. Otherwise, you can find it in almost any library that participates in the Federal Depository Library Program. Or you can call the CDC's National AIDS Information Clearinghouse (NAIC) for the most up-to-date HIV/AIDS stats: 301/762-5111. The thirteen or so statistical sets in this report include: "AIDS cases by age group exposure category, and sex," "AIDS cases by sex, exposure category, and race/ethnicity," and "Results of investigations of adult/adolescent AIDS cases with undetermined risk." An expanded, year-end edition is published each January. In addition, municipal departments of health may publish local AIDS/HIV statistics. The New York City Department of Health AIDS Surveillance Unit publishes monthly reports: 346 Broadway, Rm. 706, New York, NY 10013, 212/566-7561.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, National Center for Health Services Research and Health Care Technology Assessment. *NCHSR Program Note: Selected Bibliography on AIDS for Health Services Research*, September

1989. 18 -12 Parklawn Bldg., Rockville, MD 20857, 301/443-4100.

Well, you can bet there isn't much overlap between the NCHSR bibliography and this one here. This NCHSR bib has two hundred fifty-six annotated cites in it from August 1988 - August 1989. It supplements two previous bibliographies published in September 1987 and 1988. It cites only mainstream Western scientific and public health journals. In the subject index, there are no citations under "women"! There are three cites under "pregnant women" and four under "prostitutes," though. Oh, of course, there we are. If you look hard enough, you might find some other stuff relevant, maybe in the epidemiology section.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, National Library of Medicine. *AIDS Bibliography*. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

This is the paper copy version of the database AIDSLINE, a subset of the MEDLINE database. The paper copy sells from the Government Printing Office for \$43/year, so most libraries can afford it. Journals indexed all represent mainstream medical and public policy interests. The bibliography is extraordinarily weak on women, especially the paper version. In the database, which is available through Dialog, at least there are several headings for each cite, one of which is likely to be "women or "female" or "pregnancy" or "prostitutes" or something possibly sexist but at least you can find it. But in the paper copy, there's only one subject word for each citation. So, in the September 1989 issue there are ZERO cites under "women"; but six under "pregnancy complications, infections;" and two under "prostitution." One more thing, notice how the government sponsors indexing of all this kind of mainstream lit, but there is no indexing for *Womanews* or *On Our Backs*; you have to dig through crumbling newsprint if you want to find stuff there. *Alternative Press Index* does some for us, but do they have a database? NO WAY. Knowledge is power. Just one more example of how we're unempowered by our government.

U.S. Public Health Service. *Women and AIDS: Initiatives of the Public Health Service. A Report of the PHS Coordinating Committee on Women's Health Issues.* 1987.

In a now-dated document that's more damning than not, this is a compilation of reports from agencies including the CDC, FDA, and NIH regarding programs and support for women with AIDS.

Vance, Carol, ed. *Pleasure and Danger: Exploring Female Sexuality.* London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1984.

A popular anthology containing essays on a variety of socio-, psycho-, sexual issues from more than thirty contributors. A good companion piece of work to Snitow annotated above.

Wallace, Joyce. "AIDS in Prostitutes," *AIDS and Infections of Homosexual Men.* Pearl Ma and Donald Armstrong, eds. Boston: Butterworths, 1989.

Contains a brief account of the only study of johns' seroprevalance to date.

Walter, Melitta, ed. *Ach war's doch nur ein boser Traum! Frauen und AIDS.* Freiburg: Kore Verlag (Holbeinstrasse 12, D-7800 Freiburg i. Br., West Germany), 1987.

Translation: *If It Were Only A Bad Dream! Women and AIDS.*

Watney, Simon. "Missionary Positions: AIDS, 'Africa,' and Race," *Differences*, Winter 1989.

Watney's essay challenges sexist, racist notions about 'African AIDS,' calling up language from Conrad's *Heart of Darkness* and comparing it to current ideas about 'the infectious continent.' Also see Watney's better known book *Policing Desire: Pornography, AIDS & the Media*, Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1987.

Watstein, Sarah Barbara and Robert Anthony Laurich. *Women and AIDS: A Sourcebook*. Pheonix, AZ: Oryx Press, 1990.

Another couple of library types tackle women and AIDS info.

White, Evelyn, ed. *The Black Women's Health Book: Speaking for Ourselves*. Seattle: Seal Press, 1990.

Byllye Avery, founder of the National Black Women's Health Project based in Atlanta, explains in a *Gay Community News* interview that this book "is a heartfelt protest against the racism that cripples the medical establishment and consequently our lives. The forty-one contributors to the anthology have rendered a spectrum of Black women's experiences with health care using personal, professional, poetic, and scholarly accounts. This is fine feminist work, including voices of women from different eras, classes, and sexual backgrounds.

Winnow, Jackie "Lesbians Working on AIDS: Assessing the Impact on Health Care for Women," *Out/Look*, Summer 1989.

Assembles a number of reasons why we're here.

Wofsy, Constance. "Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection in Women," *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Vol. 257: 15, April 17, 1987.

A clear-sighted editorial checking Guinan and Hardy's work in the same issue. For a lengthier exposition, see Wofsy's "Women and the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome: An Interview," *Western Journal of Medicine*, Vol. 149:6, December 1988.

Women and AIDS. San Francisco AIDS Foundation, 1989.

The foundation's primary pamphlet for women addresses pregnancy, breast-feeding, and artificial insemination. Text by Women's AIDS Network. Also see the pamphlets *Lesbians and AIDS*, *Pregnancy and AIDS*, *AIDS Kills Women and Children*, and *Condoms for Couples*. The SFAF catalog says there's a \$100

minimum on all orders of educational material, but you can order a sampler packet for five dollars...1-800-342-AIDS.

Women and AIDS: An Annotated Bibliography for Project Staff and Clients. NOVA Research Company (4600 East-West Highway, Suite 700, Bethesda, MD 20814, 301/986-1891). 6th Edition, December 1989.

A substantial bibliography (229 pages) prepared for the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Contains entries from scientific and social service journals and some popular and political magazines. Annotations are thorough. Call or write to receive a free copy.

Women and AIDS: Clinical Resource Guide. San Francisco AIDS Foundation (333 Valencia St., P.O. Box 6182, San Francisco, CA 94101-6182, 415/861-3397), 1987.

This is a great collection of resource listings and medical and social service articles. It's a little dated, but it may be revived one of these days.