

Tom Ferguson collection

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: Ms Coll 100

CREATOR: Ferguson, Tom, 1943-2006

TITLE: Tom Ferguson collection

DATES: circa 1970-2007

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 6 linear feet (4 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Tom Ferguson (1943-2006), Yale School of Medicine class of 1977, was a medical doctor, educator, and author. Ferguson was an early advocate for patient empowerment, urging patients to educate themselves, to assume control of their own health care, and to use the Internet as a way of accomplishing those goals. The bulk of the collection consists of publications written and/or edited by Ferguson which includes issues of *Medical Self Care* from 1970-1990; *Whole Earth* catalogs and supplements; and multiple books. The collection also includes photographs; media (a U-matic tape, VHS tapes, cassette tapes, DVDs); materials from talks, workshops, interviews, and presentations; clippings; and a copy of Ferguson's curriculum vitae.

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Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Meredith L. Dreiss, 2023.

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Preferred Citation

Tom Ferguson collection. Historical Library, Harvey Cushing / John Hay Whitney Medical Library, Yale University.

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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Patient advocacy
Patient education
Self-care, Health