

Recommendation to Continue EBSCO Discovery Service Temporarily:

WVLS Staff Recommendation:

To prevent an interruption in service to our library users, WVLS ILS Administrator and ILS Support Specialist recommend that V-Cat continue EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS) through the service period of July – December 2021. In addition, it is recommended that V-Cat pursue short term invoicing options, if necessary, to maintain EDS through the launch of a new discovery layer.

Explanation:

Besides maintaining service for library users and staff, keeping EDS longer will allow library staff to test functionality of integrating EDS within the new discovery product. This will allow us to evaluate whether EDS integration would be beneficial to our library users for discovery of additional resources available in the EBSCO databases provided by Badgerlink.

The cost for March 2020 through February of 2021 was \$14,754.

The cost for March through June 2021 was \$5,065.

Estimated monthly cost of EDS with a short term invoice is \$1267.