

Resources for I-Share Institutions on creating Collections in Alma and Primo VE

What is a collection?

- A *collection* (unrelated to an *electronic collection*) is an entity that aggregates bibliographic records in Alma that have a relationship of some kind.
- A collection can be based on topic or subject matter.
- A collection has its own bibliographic record.
- The collection can include records associated with different resource types (physical and electronic).
- Collections can be top-level collections or sub-collections. Sub-collections are children of top-level collections or other sub-collections.

--Adapted from ["Managing Collections" - Ex Libris Alma Documentation](#)

[Ex Libris Primo VE Become an Expert Webinars](#)

The session "Search Interfaces" on Feb. 18, 2021 described how Collections work in Alma and Primo VE. This page includes the PPT, Recording link, YouTube video link, and post-session Q&A document. Collection Discovery is covered at 40:55 in the presentation.

[CARLI's Discussion Sessions for the Ex Libris Primo VE Become an Expert webinars](#)

See Session 4: Search Interfaces (February 18, 2021) for the Recording link and a PDF file with Notes from the CARLI Discussion. The Notes (pages 2-3) includes links of examples of other institutions who are using Collections in Alma and Primo VE.

Ex Libris Alma Collections documentation: [Managing Collections](#)

Ex Libris Primo VE Collections documentation: [Configuring Collection Discovery for Primo VE](#)

CARLI Resources for I-Share Institutions on Local Fields and Local Extensions

[How To: Using Local Extensions for Copy Specific Data](#)

[I-Share Common Definitions for Local Extensions](#)

[CARLI Recommendations on Local Fields in Primo VE for I-Share](#)