

LKS Outreach

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The Outreach
Librarian Service
Bringing the
Evidence to you

Drugs and Therapeutics Bulletin - NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

We have purchased the BMJ Journal 'Drugs and Therapeutics



Bulletin' on a 12 month trial basis. Have a look and be sure to let us know what

you think. We need your feedback to decide whether to continue to purchase this in future.

To access this journal, and the thousands of others available to you, you will need an OpenAthens Account.

Accessing online journals

You can access Drugs and Therapeutics Bulletin and thousands of other online journals via the NICE MyJournals page at:

https://journals.nice.org.uk/



What is OpenAthens?

An OpenAthens account is free and provides you with access to all of the online resources that the NHS and Library and Knowledge Service has purchased for you. You can register for your account here: https://openathens.nice.org.uk/

BMJ Best Practice

BMJ Best Practice is a clinical decision support tool. It provides fast and easy access to the latest evidence-based information to support clinical decision making and ALL NHS staff now have access to it using their NHS OpenAthens login details.

As well as accessing it via your computer, you can also access it offline via your mobile/tablet with the Apple app or Android app.

You can use BMJ Best Practice to:

- Search thousands of clinical topics and over 6,000 clinical guidelines
- Check prescription guidance using linked drug databases and over 250 medical calculators
- Set up alerts for evidence changes in your area of practice

- Ensure your ongoing professional development with automatic CME/CPD tracking
- Watch videos covering the most common clinical procedures
- Access over 400 patient information leaflets
- View differential diagnoses and treatment algorithms



Access BMJ Best Practice via the link on the Library and Knowledge Service Homepage

DID YOU KNOW...The Library and Knowledge Service doesn't just do clinical evidence searches? In 2018, we carried out 49 evidence searches for CCG and community based staff, totaling 128.5 hours of searching. Search topics requested included: commissioning of community diabetes education, telehealth provision, and the management of DVT and ulcers in the community.

If you need help finding evidence, why don't you fill in our online
Literature Search Request form and let us help you?

http://www.knowledge-nw.nhs.uk/Literature-Search/Pages/Request-a-Literature-Search.aspx



We have recently updated and improved the *Training Pages* on the *Library and Knowledge Service Website*, adding an array of new information and resources to help you with the skills you need for evidence-based practice.

Online resources

In this section you will find links to resources on how to use Discovery, OpenAthens, the Knowledge Pages and other resources that are available via the Library and Knowledge Service website.

There is also a link to our online training request form for anyone who would like a training session (available for individuals or groups) on any of our online resources.

Literature searching

Although we can do literature searches for you, if you would like to learn how to do it for yourself, we are only too happy to help. In this section we have links to resources on how to improve your

searching technique and how to search using HDAS (the Healthcare Database Advanced Search interface) and again we have an online form you can use to request training.

Critical appraisal and journal clubs

If you are interested in improving your critical appraisal skills or want some help setting up a journal club, then our training pages have a large collection of resources to help you. There are links to tutorials and guides on different research methodologies, statistics and appraisal checklists. Training is also available on request and can be tailored as needed.

Writing for publication

If you are writing a journal article, conference presentation or poster, then this page has links to resources that can help you — with information on how to write a case report, a systematic review and other topics such as referencing and how to avoid plagiarism. You can also contact us if you have more questions on writing.

You can find the Training pages at:

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literature searches, and
training on all of our online
information resources, as
well as critical appraisal
training. As you work in the
community and may not be
able to get to us at Whiston
Hospital, I can come to you
to carry out training on a
one to one or group basis.



To find out how the Outreach Librarian Service can help you and your team, go to:

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I look forward to hearing from you



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