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The Outreach Librarian Service Bringing the Evidence to you

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GP TRAINEES

The new GP Trainees will be with us next month, and being on placement with you doesn't mean they don't have access to the Library and Knowledge Service.

Our website is freely accessible, with no need to be logged into an intranet. It can be accessed from anywhere with internet access and is designed to work on PCs, tablets and phones.

From the website they can **register** for library membership and an NHS OpenAthens Account. From the **My Resources Page** they can access the library catalogue and online resources including e-books, online journals, BMJ Best Practice and a range of Medical Databases. We also provide a document supply service for any articles that aren't available via OpenAthens.

They can sign up to receive **Knowledge Alerts** – our customisable current awareness service and training on how to access online resources, carry out an evidence search and critical appraisal is available via MS Teams.



Annual Survey – what did you say?



Many thanks to all those who took part in our annual survey and congratulations to our prize draw winner, Medical Student Juliana Ang. Juliana's £25 Amazon voucher is winging its way to her as I type...

We were delighted to receive 93 completed surveys from a wide range of staff including medical and non-medical, hospital based and community based and library users and non-users.

It has been great to hear how we have been able to help staff throughout the year, with responses including:-

As a GP, MCQ for the MRCGP are really helpful. Access to primary care journals - BJGP, Family Medicine Education for Primary Care Rapid access to journal articles has allowed me to update hospital policies with the latest guidelines and best practice recommendations which improves patient care

Excellent teaching session on how to perform literature search

It is a good helpful service excellent facilities and really helpful staff

Well arranged and accessible website

From some of the comments we received however, it is clear that not everyone is aware of the full range of services and resources the Library and Knowledge Service can offer. In order to clear up some of the misconceptions we have posted a reply in our blog, and below are some of the highlights.

I don't need to use the library

Are you doing a course? Are you helping with an audit? Writing a presentation? Working on a policy or SOP? Trying to keep up to date with the latest reports and guidelines? Looking for information for a patient? Working towards revalidation? Need a quiet space to do some work? Need help finding a piece of research or journal article? Want a break and something more relaxing to read? These are only a few of the things we can help you with. Browse our website to find out more about our services or email us if you have any questions. We're here to help and can do more than you think...



I thought the library was only for clinical staff and students

The LKS provides resources and services to ALL staff and students no matter their role. As well as clinical subjects we have management and leadership books, study guide books, job interview books, a small fiction section and our Reading Well (self-help) collection. Take a look at our <u>catalogue</u> to find out more.

Inform GP and GP trainees about relevant books and literature searches

Our <u>Outreach Librarian</u> can provide induction or training sessions to tell you about our services and resources – in person or virtually.

We regularly send out our <u>Outreach newsletter</u> which provides information on services and resources for primary care.

What online books are available?

Our collection of e-books is growing and we're always pleased to receive any suggestions or recommendations for titles. Titles include clinical books, CPD and leadership subjects, a diversity and inclusion collection as well as the full collection of Oxford handbooks. We've recently added a number of ClinicalKey textbooks. Please check the catalogue to find links to all our e-books. Please note that you will need an NHS OpenAthens account to get access. If you download the MyCirqa app you can check our catalogue and link to online books on the go.



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Type in the name of your library (Whiston or STHK) and then log in with your Reader ID and PIN (Contact us if you need a reminder of these)

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

https://www.knowledge -nw.nhs.uk/clinical-andoutreach-service

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We look forward to hearing from you

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