Knowledge and Library Services
for dentists and dental teams

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NHS Knowledge and Library Services can give you access to the most up to date and trusted evidence and information in healthcare today, enabling high quality decision making, learning and development, research and innovation to achieve health improvement across England, locally, regionally and nationally.

NHS OpenAthens

You need an NHS OpenAthens account to take full advantage of all these tools and resources. Anyone delivering NHS-commissioned care can apply.

Register now! Forgotten your password? **Reset it easily**. Or watch our guide on how to **register**.

Finding information in one place

The **NHS Knowledge and Library Hub** has thousands of journals, e-books, guidelines, medical databases and clinical decision support tools, all providing up to date, trusted evidence and information – all online and in one place, day or night, wherever you are.

Start your search, read the **FAQs** for help or watch our **short YouTube guide.**

For more advanced searching, use databases like **Medline**, and **Embase**. Go to our **Resources for advanced searching** page for more information and links to training.

If you're new to literature searching, or need a refresher, why not try this e-learning course: **How to search the literature effectively**.

BMJ Best Practice

The national clinical decision support tool is available on desktop or app. Drawing on use BMJ Best Practice for background information about the other health conditions your patients may have.

e-books and journals

You have access to thousands of journals in **dentistry**. It's easy to access articles through the NHS Knowledge and Library Hub and databases for advanced searching. You can also install **LibKey Nomad** on your device for easy access to journal literature when you search the open web and platforms like Google Scholar. Use your trust name, 'Primary Care in England' or 'National NHS Organisations (England)' as your organisation.

Kortext is an e-book platform that gives you access to hundreds of books for NHS staff and learners including collections on sustainability, wellbeing and resilience and equality and diversity.
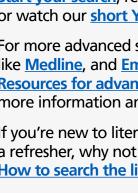
▶ **Watch this short video guide to learn more**

OUP handbooks and textbooks

All NHS staff and students on placement have access to over 130 Oxford Medicine e-books, including:

• Oxford Handbook of Clinical Dentistry
• Oxford Handbook of Dental Nursing
• Medical Emergencies in Dentistry

NHS funded, for healthcare staff, trainees, students and learners throughout their career

Direct benefit to you and your patients

61% of people struggle to understand health information in words and numbers. **Our 30 minute elearning course** has simple tools for staff.

To address health inequalities, we need to focus on improving health literacy, digital literacy and digital access. Our **online tool** gives place-based geodata to identify levels of health literacy and digital access in your area.

Our co-produced, **easy read guides** can be downloaded for people with learning disabilities and autism, to help them navigate healthcare.

In **Your Health Collection** we have online resources for you and your colleagues to help patients with general health and wellbeing.

We also have **Uplifting Resources** to help staff wellbeing.

Understanding critical appraisal

Essential to evidence-based practice, critical appraisal helps enrich your research and learning and can be applied in a range of circumstances, such as formal or informal research projects, your professional development or while studying.

To support healthcare professionals to develop invaluable critical appraisal skills, there is an elearning programme – **Critically Appraising the Evidence Base**.

Watch our animation
This short animation describes something about why it is good to work with NHS librarians and knowledge specialists.

Local NHS support

For more information

There is a lot more information and detail on **our website**.

- **Get answers to your questions**
- **Get trusted evidence to support your practice**
- **Get reassurance for you decisions**
- **Find information to support your professional development**

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Sharing knowledge between colleagues

The **NHS Knowledge Mobilisation Framework eLearning** and **postcards** present 13 simple techniques you can use to learn before, during and after everything you do so good practice can be replicated and pitfalls avoided.