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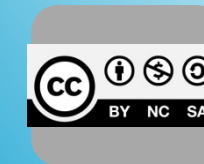
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Opening Hours

Monday to Friday
9.00am-5.00pm

For access outside
of these times,
please contact us

We provide library and knowledge services to SSSFT and SSOTP staff.

The service has two site libraries at:

**The Learning Centre,
St George's Hospital,
Stafford, ST16 3AG**



**The Redwoods Centre,
Shrewsbury, SY3 8DS**





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Who's Who?

Claire Charnley: Library and Knowledge
Services Manager

The Stafford Team:

Fiona Rees: Librarian
Carol Sherratt: Library Assistant
Len Powell: Library Assistant

The Redwoods Team:

Lisa Basini: Librarian
Ceri Williams: Senior Library Technician
Vicky Parker: Library Assistant

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Did you know, you can access our e-books, Journals and Databases at any time, in work or at home?

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Who can use the library?

- All South Staffordshire and Shropshire Healthcare staff and partners who work with SSSFT clients.
- Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Partnership NHS Trust staff.
- Students on placement within either Trust.
- Service users and the public can use the library for reference.

Why join the library?

- Gain access to books, e-books, journals and medical databases
- Receive training in literature searching, critical appraisal, using the internet more effectively and returning to study.
- Get help with retrieving materials from your reading list
- Keep up to date with weekly email updates on the latest news and evidence in your field
- Borrow from our mental health fiction and biography collection



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Did you know, you can now renew your books up to 4 times?

Books

- Registered users can borrow 10 books for up to 4 weeks at a time.
- You can reserve, renew and review books with your online library account
- If there is a book that you want to borrow, but the library does not stock, you can request it and we source it from another library for you.
- If there is a book you think the library should buy, contact us and let us know.

E-books

- The library holds a growing number of E-books which can be accessed via the library catalogue
- You will need your Athens username and password to access the E-books
- You have the option of reading E-books online or downloading them to your tablet or computer. (please note if you are downloading to your computer you will need Adobe Digital Editions or Bluefire Reader).



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If you require further support with this, we are always happy to help. You can receive training on this too!

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- You will need your OpenAthens username and password
- You will need to have Adobe Reader installed on your computer- if you do not have this you can search for it online, and download it for free.
- When using a device other than your Trust computer, you may also be required to download another programme such as 'Adobe Digital Editions' or 'Bluefire Reader'- If your device requires this extra download, you will be prompted to do so.
- If you wish to download the E-book to your device rather than reading it online, you will need to have Adobe Digital Editions

Accessing E-books..

- When you find an E-book that you want on the library catalogue, click on the title, then click on 'Resource Link'
- This will open up the 'Authentication Point'. You will then need to enter your OpenAthens username and password
- You will then have the option to read the book online, or download it
- You can read online for approximately 10 minutes before being asked to choose a loan length e.g. 1 day



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Did you know, the library provides training on searching medical Databases and Journals?

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Why do I need an Athens account?

To gain access to..

- Healthcare databases (HDAS) including Medline, CINAHL and PsycInfo. The databases will help you find journal articles on medicine, psychiatry, psychology, nursing & allied health.
- To gain access to our A-Z list of journals via the 'My Journals' page on the library website.
- BNF and BNF for Children- e-version and mobile apps
- E-books listed on the library catalogue

To Register:

- When you join the library, you will automatically be signed up for an Athens account
- You can also self-register by following the 'Register for Athens' link on the library website.
- You will need a valid NHS, university or professional email address to register

Account Activation:

- Once you have registered, you will receive an email with your Athens username
- You must then choose a password between 8-20 characters long, include both upper and lowercase letters and a number or symbol.



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Our Easy Evidence Search tool finds full text articles, books & E-books in one place - simply type in your key words and hit search!

Journals and Journal Articles

- Most of our full-text journals are available online and can be accessed using your Athens username and password
- The site libraries hold some older print journals for use in the library
- You can choose browse the A-Z list or search for a specific title on 'My Journals'
- If we don't stock the journal article you are looking for, you can request it using our online article request form

Medical Databases:

- To find articles on a particular topic, you can also search the healthcare databases (HDAS)
- The databases available to you include Medline, CINAHL and Psycinfo- These are indexing tools for professional journals in medicine, psychiatry, psychology, nursing & allied health
- Some search results will contain links to full-text articles which you can access using your Athens username and password
- If you do not have full-text access to the article that you want, you can request it using our online request form.



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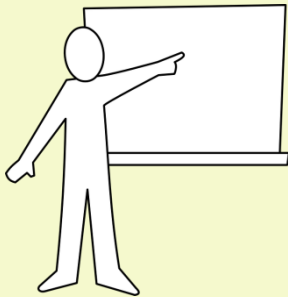


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Our librarians are happy to conduct training sessions at a time and a place that suits you- book now!

All of our training sessions are suitable as 1-1's, group sessions or remote sessions via Skype or Lync.

Using the internet more effectively:

- Learn how to search for high quality health information using key sources, how to use search engines effectively and how to assess website quality and reliability

Literature and database searching:

- Learn how to search clinical databases to find evidence and information to support patient care and professional or service development. Training can be conducted using your own research interests and refresher training is also available

Critical appraisal (Introductory):

- Learn how to critically appraise a qualitative or quantitative research article using a critical appraisal checklist and learn how to assess its relevance to your work.

Return to study:

- Learn how to search the library catalogue and manage your online account.
- Get help with accessing and downloading E-books, using your Open Athens account to find and access articles,
- Get help with referencing your sources and finding items on your reading list



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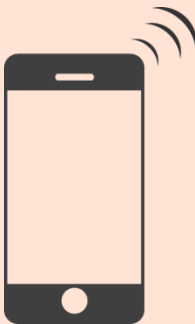
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Check out our Mobile Apps page for guidance, patient information, mental and physical health apps

Be Aware

- Get our 'Be Aware' weekly updates sent to your email
- Choose from over 60 updates compiled both internally and from external sources
- Updates include conditions, user groups, professions, aspects of care and latest news
- We also send updates produced by other organisation such as NICE medicines awareness, The Kings Fund, Chief Nursing Officer, NHS Line management and several Journals.

Search alerts

- The library can also set up alerts to provide you with a list of the latest articles on a certain topic.
- To request this service, please contact us

Resources

- We also provide resource lists to support NICE guidance in areas such as: violence and aggression, diabetes, bipolar disorder, challenging behaviour and many more!
- Our resources by profession page also offers a number of resources for nurse revalidation, doctors in training, social care staff and students



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Requesting Articles, Literature Searches and Books

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Did you know that the library can post your book to your workplace?

Articles

- If you come across an article that you don't have access to, you can request it using our online article request form
- You also have the option to download our paper copy of the form. Please note that paper copies must be signed for Copyright purposes.

Literature Searches

- If you require a literature search, library staff can do one on your behalf – simply fill in our online literature search request form
- We also offer a search synthesis (summary) of key search results for searches to inform guidelines, policies or service design
- If you plan to use your search for academic study, we offer a guided literature search session where you will be shown how to get quality search results using your research area as an example.

Books

- If you are looking for a book that the library doesn't stock, fill in our online book request form and we will borrow it from another library



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- The Easy Evidence Search tool featured on our website homepage is a quick and easy way to locate full text articles, books and E-books in one place
- Type your keyword/s into the search bar and the Easy Evidence Search tool will find materials relating to your chosen topic
- The Easy Evidence Search tool will automatically order your results so that articles and other materials that you have full text access to will be appear at the top
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