
LIBRARY & KNOWLEDGE SERVICES FOR RESEARCHERS

Literature search

We can do it for you

The JET Library offers a full literature search service – you can see where we look for evidence at the end of this leaflet – and an evidence summary service is available on request. This is free, but we do ask that our work is credited if published.

We can also set up very specific research updates for you for the duration of your project.

... or teach you how to do it

We can give you a refresher course on the new databases for NHS staff, including Medline, Embase and other specialist search tools.

There are user guides and videos available at

<https://www.nice.org.uk/about/nice-communities/library-and-knowledge-services-staff/training-materials>

Getting articles

Send us your list

We can get books and articles for you for free. Our unique partnership with the University of Chester means we can use print and online resources from both organizations which means we can email most of what you order directly to your PC if it's available electronically.

Sharing articles with project groups

Are you working on specific projects for the NHS with a University, Charity, NICE, Public Health England etc.? Please let us know who you will be sharing articles with. NICE have paid for a national allocation of copyright fee paid (CFP) articles, which come without digital rights

management. We can support a number of external organisations working in support of NHS work through the CLA Licence. Let us know, so we can deal with the legalities.

Work is underway on a national CFP article repository to make them freely available across the NHS.

Accessing information

Register for MCHFT Athens: <http://openathens.nice.org.uk/> (register from NHS PC then access from anywhere in the UK)

Access resources: <http://www.mcht.nhs.uk/research/jetlibrary/resources/>

Referencing

Support with software training

We don't purchase any but can support a range of packages e.g. End Note, Reference Manager, RefWorks. We can also support free tools such as:

- Mendeley: <https://www.mendeley.com>
- Zotero: <https://www.zotero.org>

Reference checking

The JET Library can check and format reference lists – just let us know what style the journal you're writing for, or your university, prefers.

Publication

BMJ Case Reports

The JET Library pays for the access and publication costs for Case Study submission to support Foundation Doctors. Fellowship Code: **839265**

Publication advice

If you give us a copy of your manuscript we can recommend the best places to send it for publication. We can use the Science Citation Index to check journals' Impact Factors and can check journals' publication guidelines for you.

Knowledge Management

Communities of practice

Yammer is the Trust's secure social-network site. People use it to share projects across the organisation or create private forums for discussion and shared document editing. All documents maintain full version control with access to previous document versions

Register with your MCHFT email address: <https://www.yammer.com>

Social media support and training is available from the Library.

Lessons learned

Susan Smith is currently looking at how to make better use of knowledge collected as part of lessons-learned processes. How this knowledge can get to the right people and how it can be integrated into education and Trust policy & procedures.

For more information contact: susan.smith@chester.ac.uk Ext 3172

MCHFT staff publications

We keep a record of published articles and poster presentations and share it as part of writing local reports - e.g. Local Education Board Report - and with the Research Department so let us know if you've published anything by emailing lr.leighton@chester.ac.uk or calling Ext 3172 for details.

You can also sign up for an ORCID ID

<https://orcid.org/>

which can help people keep track of your publications and be used when you apply for grants or submit articles for publication. Please let us know if you do this so we can keep track of what you've published.

Search protocol

Databases

AMED	Allied and complementary medicine	www.evidence.nhs.uk
BNI	British Nursing Index	www.evidence.nhs.uk
Care & Health Law	Up-to-date news and information on law, policy and practice developments relating to social and health care provision in the UK.	http://www.careandhealthlaw.com/Public/LawDatabaseMain.aspx
CRD – Centre for Reviews and Dissemination	Systematic reviews compiled by the National Institute for Health Research and the University of York's Centre for Reviews and Dissemination	http://www.crd.york.ac.uk/CRDWeb/
CINAHL	American Database covering nursing and allied health professions	www.evidence.nhs.uk
Cochrane Library	Suite of databases covering, Cochrane Systematic Reviews, Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (DARE), Cochrane Methodology Register, Health Technology Assessment Database & NHS Economic Evaluation Database	www.cochranelibrary.com
Embase	European medical database with a focus on pharmacology	www.evidence.nhs.uk
Health Business Elite	Health care administration & management	www.evidence.nhs.uk
HMIC	Merger of the King's Fund and Dept. Health Databases covering Health Policy & Management	www.evidence.nhs.uk
Medline	Large American medical database covering general health	www.evidence.nhs.uk
PsychInfo	Psychiatry and mental health	www.evidence.nhs.uk
Social Care Online	Database of information and research on all aspects of social care and social work	www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk

Search engines & best practice studies

Google	Large general search engine (use with care – ask at Library for tips on improving your search)	www.google.co.uk
Google Scholar	Like Google, but searches research papers and patents.	http://scholar.google.com/
Hinari	WHO database with journal access only accessible in developing countries	http://www.who.int/hinari/en/
Integrated Care and Support Exchange (ICASE)	A learning community which shares information on integrated care and support	http://www.icasex.org.uk
NHS Evidence	Evaluated Health Search Engine operated by NICE – covers guidelines, grey literature, evidence summaries, care pathways and patient information	www.evidence.nhs.uk
NICE Local Practice Collection	Case studies of improvement projects happening across the UK	http://www.nice.org.uk/about/What-we-do/Our-Programmes/Local-Practice-Collection
NICE Savings and productivity collection	Collection of audit and costing tools in relation to NICE guidance. Also has best practice case studies of implementation.	http://www.nice.org.uk/about/What-we-do/Our-Programmes/Savings-And-Productivity-Collection
NICE QIPP	Case studies on Quality, Improvement, Productivity and Prevention (QIPP)	https://www.evidence.nhs.uk/qipp
Prescqiip Innovation Hub	QIPP case studies for pharmacists and drug therapy.	http://www.prescqiip.info/sharing-section/innovation-hub
PubMed	Free version of Medline database	http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed
Trip	Search engine designed to quickly find evidence for clinical queries	http://www.tripdatabase.com/
eWIN	NHS workforce information network - workforce indicators, best practice, benchmarking data.	http://www.ewin.northwest.nhs.uk

Specialist databases

Campbell Collaboration	Systematic reviews relating to social welfare and education	http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/library.php
DUETs	Database of Uncertainties about the Effect of Treatments – identifies where information is out of date or lacking	http://www.library.nhs.uk/DUETs/Default.aspx
ERIC	Education Resource Information Centre – educational literature and resources	https://eric.ed.gov/
HEER	Higher Education Empirical Research Database	http://heer.qaa.ac.uk/pages/default.aspx
LILACs	International database covering papers in Spanish & Portuguese.	http://bases.bireme.br/cgi-bin/wxislind.exe/iah/online/?IsisScript=iah/iah.xis&base=LILACS&lang=i
McMaster Health Systems Evidence	Contains research evidence about governance, finance strategy implementation for supporting health systems.	www.healthsystemsevidence.org
Naric Rehabdata	Database covering disability and rehabilitation research	http://www.naric.com/?q=en/Knowledgebase
NTIS	US and non-US government-sponsored research with access to most technical reports	http://www.ntis.gov
OAIster	A database of more than 30 million open-access resources built by harvesting from open-access collections worldwide	http://oaister.worldcat.org/
OpenDOAR	Directory of Open Access Repositories	http://www.opendoar.org/
OpenSIGLE	System for Information on Grey Literature (European)	http://opensigle.inist.fr
OTseeker	Database for Occupational Therapy	http://www.otseeker.com/
PEDro	Physiotherapy database	http://www.pedro.org.au/
Shaare Zedek Database	Database covering cancer and palliative care	http://kp-hadassah.org.il/chernydb/search.asp
Toxnet	Toxicology, environmental health and chemical databases	http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/
UK Clinical Research Network Portfolio Database	A database of ongoing clinical research in the UK	http://public.ukcrn.org.uk/search/
WHO regional databases	The World Health Organisation's portal to health statistics and to detailed monitoring and assessment tools for key areas of health policy	http://www.euro.who.int/en/data-and-evidence/databases

Research registries:

Clinical Trials.Gov	US & International research registry	http://clinicaltrials.gov/
Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials	Database of Uncertainties about the Effect of Treatments – identifies where information is out of date or lacking (Mainly from Medline & Embase, but does also cover some unpublished sources).	http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/o/cochrane/cochrane_central_articles_fs.html
Current Controlled Trials	WHO supported registry of international trials – can search on ISRCTN	http://www.controlled-trials.com/
International Clinical Trials Registry	WHO search portal	http://apps.who.int/trialsearch/
ISRCTN – metaRegister of Controlled Trials	A clinical trial registry recognised by WHO and the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors	http://www.isrctn.com/
PROSPERO	International prospective register of systematic reviews	http://www.crd.york.ac.uk/prospero/
Trials Journal	Open access journal on controlled trials	http://www.trialsjournal.com/
UKCRN	UK Clinical Research Network	http://public.ukcrn.org.uk/search/
Note that for pharmacy, drug companies host their own registers a good list exists at: http://www.cochrane-handbook.org/		

Thesis & dissertations:

Dart - Europe	Portal for searching European thesis	http://www.dart-europe.eu/basic-search.php
Dissonline	Search German dissertations	http://www.dissonline.de
Ethos	British Library search & order platform	http://ethos.bl.uk
Index to Thesis	Search UK Thesis	http://www.theses.com/
NDLTD	Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations	http://www.ndltd.org/
Open Thesis	Bibliographic information, documents only added with permission from the school or author.	http://www.openthesis.org
PhData	International PhD database	http://www.phddata.org/

Statistics:

OHE GUIDE TO UK HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE STATISTICS	Comprehensive guide to sources of health statistics	http://www.ohe.org/publications/article/ohe-guide-to-uk-health-and-health-care-statistics-135.cfm
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Grey literature:

North Grey Literature Collection	Both print and electronic copies of reports, leaflets etc. from national bodies, and local organisations and initiatives (No print copies collected post 2015)	http://allcatsrgrey.org.uk/wp/find-grey-literature/
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