Session 4



Overview of E-Journals and Databases

Where to start...

The library webpage is where to begin! In the menu on the left-hand side you'll find links to the e-journals we subscribe to, as well as databases and other resources you might find useful. You'll need an Athens username and password to access a lot of these, and you can register for one here.

What's the difference between e-iournals and a database?

A bibliographic database is a comprehensive index of journal articles, whereas an e-journal collection is a limited number of journals that we have full text access to. If you're looking for an article from a specific journal, then check our e-journals, but if you want to do a detailed search on a topic then you'll need to use databases.

Things to think about

- Thinking about which resource to use first can save you a lot of time!
- If you need to carry out a detailed literature search, then we're happy to provide training—just ask.
- If you find a reference that's perfect but you can't find the full text, then you can request a copy of the article from the library desk, usually for a fee of £1.00.
- Have a go at using all of these resources to help develop your search skills.

Dynamed Plus

This resource provides high quality, evidence-based content to healthcare professionals. It's a bit like having a comprehensive, up-to-date medical encyclopaedia sitting on your desktop. You can use it to access concise overviews of conditions and get up to speed with treatments, epidemiology, complications etc. Access it here.

NHS Evidence Search

Provided by NICE, this resource aims to help healthcare professionals to make better decisions by providing easy access to a number of different types of information, including guidelines, policy documents and reports. It's a quick way of finding high quality information from lots of different sources. Access it here.

Introduction to Critical Appraisal is on Tues

20th Dec, 09:00-10:00, Seminar room 3, EC1

Fri 6th of Jan, 12:00-13:00, Seminar room 6, **Education Centre 1.**

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