

## Lesson Plan: An overview of e-journals and databases

Aim: To provide participants with an overview of some of the e-resources that the Trust subscribes to

Objectives: At the end of this session you will be able to:

- 1. Access e-journals the Trust subscribes to via the library webpage
- 2. Use Dynamed Plus to find evidence condition-specific overviews
- 3. Search for useful material using the NICE Evidence Search website

Time	Activity	Method & Resources
0:00-0:03	Introduction	Sign-in sheet
	❖ Circulate sign in sheet.	
	Explain what we'll cover and what we won't.	
0:03-0:10	Where do you currently go for information? What barriers do you face when trying to access information? Discuss sources participants have identified and how we can overcome barriers.	Think, jot, pair, share. Post-it notes & flipchart paper
0:10-0:15	Overview of e-journals subscribed to. Demonstration of Link resolver and how to search for subject area journals.	Online demo
0:15-0:20	Ask if anyone knows the difference between e-journal collection and a bibliographic database.  Overview of databases subscribed to. Explain that we won't be searching today, but can be covered in another session.	Group discussion, online demo
0:20-0:22	Introduction to other sources of information and why you would use them.	Online demo
0:22-0:27	Demonstration of Dynamed Plus.	Online demo
0:27-0:32	❖ Demonstration of NHS Evidence Search.	Online demo
0:32-0:35	A quick recap of what we've looked at and a chance for questions.	Group discussion
0:35-0:50	Practical search exercises (see exercise sheet).	Practical exercise on PCs
0:50-0:55	How easy or hard were the exercises? How can you use the resources you've learnt about today?	Group discussion
0:55-1:00	How to get extra help, final chance for questions.	Information