Introduction to The Knowledge Network: Resources to Support Your Learning

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By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- register for an **NHSScotland OpenAthens** username
- use The Knowledge Network to find **overview of topics** and **information to share with patients**
- use The Knowledge Network Library Search to find **eBooks, eJournals and articles**
- access **Good Practice** for personal and professional development
- access further support, training, eLearning and videos to **improve your skills**

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What is The Knowledge Network?

www.knowledge.scot.nhs.uk

- **Digital library** for health and care staff in Scotland

- Access with your **NHSScotland OpenAthens** username

- **£3.2 million** annual budget spent on information and learning resources:
  - eJournals
  - eBooks and print collections
 - Databases and evidence summaries

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evidence, articles and research

Register for an OpenAthens username

- Online form – choose 'Other' as organisation

- Activation link received within 1-3 days

- Accounts expire every two years

- Keep details up to date

- Any problems, contact Knowledge Services

Register here!

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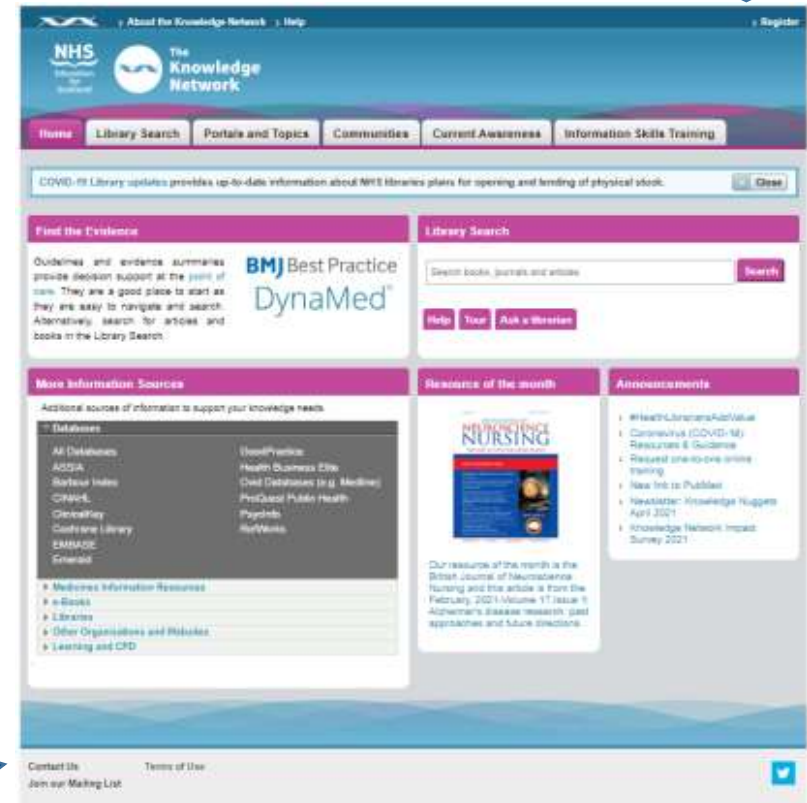
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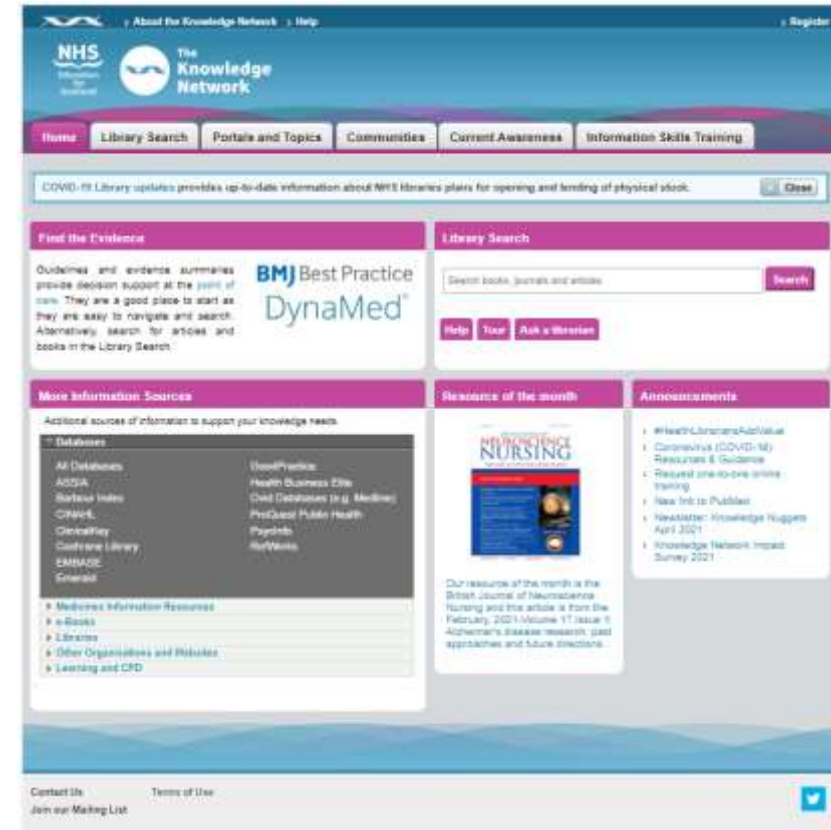
Evidence summaries

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- Summarised, up-to-date evidence to **support clinical decisions** in practice

- Useful overview of topics, includes patient information leaflets

- **BMJ Best Practice** suitable for all health and care staff

- Access via **Find the Evidence** on homepage

- Password free access on NHSS premises

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Library Search

- Useful **starting point** for finding background information and **basic research**

- Searches print and digital library resources

- For example, e-books, e-journals, research articles and physical library items in NHSScotland libraries

- Relatively simple search functionality

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Develop your skills

Good Practice – useful resource for personal and professional development
        includes study skills, leadership resources, time management etc

Databases – Medline, CINAHL etc

Estates and facilities – Barbour – health and safety information. Also includes British standards

Google and Google Scholar – see Search tips sway – link being posted in the chat.

The Knowledge Network Good Practice:

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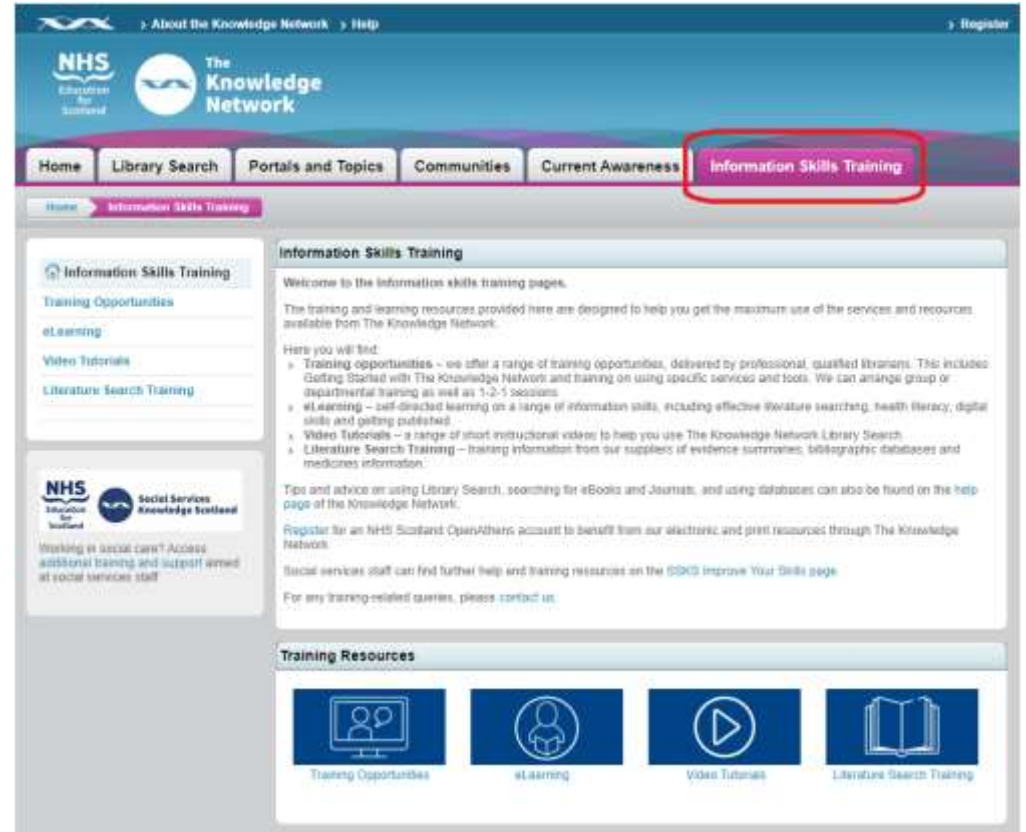I feel confident describing what the Knowledge Network is and using it to find

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Help and further training

- Get started: Search tips

- Google Scholar guide

- Literature Searching eLearning

- One-to-one webinars

- Local library service

Feedback & keeping in touch

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