



# 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:

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- 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**

# What is The Knowledge Network?

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[www.knowledge.scot.nhs.uk](http://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



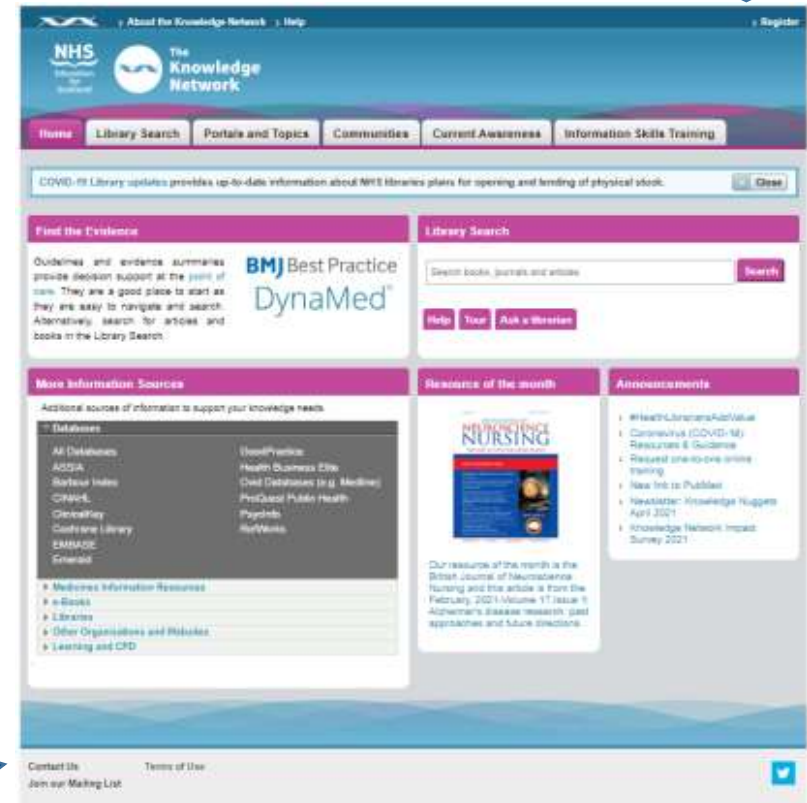
# Register for an OpenAthens username

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- 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!

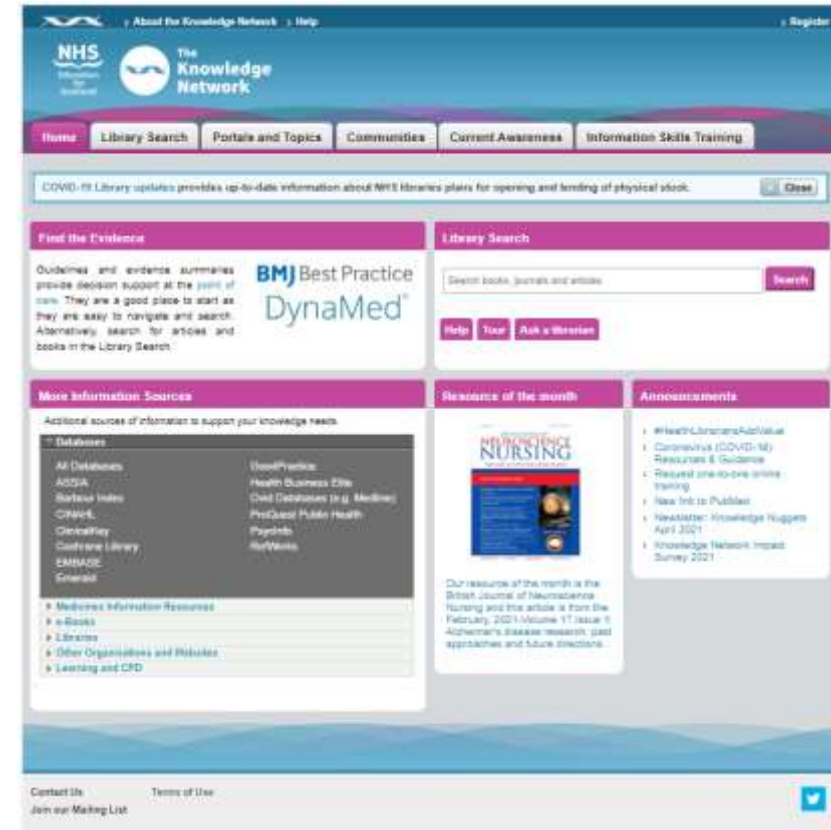
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# The Knowledge Network OpenAthens registration:

## Live Demo



# 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





# The Knowledge Network Evidence Summaries:

## Live Demo

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The screenshot shows the NHS Knowledge Network website. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Home, Library Search, Portals and Topics, Communities, Current Awareness, and Information Skills Training. A notification banner at the top reads: "COVID-19 Library updates provides up-to-date information about NHS libraries plans for opening and lending of physical stock." Below this, the "Find the Evidence" section is highlighted with a red box. It contains the following text: "Guidelines and evidence summaries provide decision support at the point of care. They are a good place to start as they are easy to navigate and search. Alternatively, search for articles and books in the Library Search." To the right of this text is the "BMJ Best Practice DynaMed" logo. Below the highlighted section, there is a list of databases including ASSIA, CINAHL, Cochrane Library, EMBASE, and Emerald. There are also links for "Medicines Information Resources", "e-Books", "Libraries", "Other Organisations and Websites", and "Learning and CPD".

# Library Search

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- 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



# The Knowledge Network Library Search:

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# Slido Quiz

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## Develop your skills

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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:

## Live Demo

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Search For Something

Home Leadership & Strategy Managing People & Teams Personal Skills & Development Services, Projects & Operations Playlists

Check out our Wellbeing, Resilience & more  
playlists above



Spotlight on Browse All

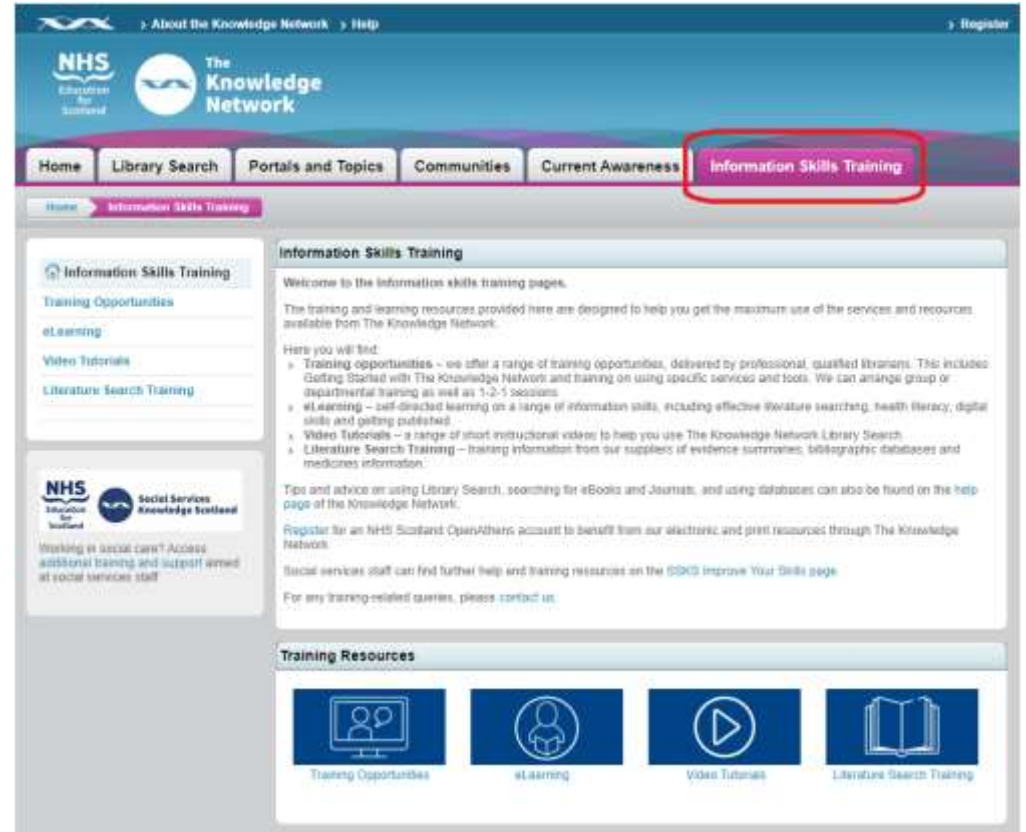




# Help and further training

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- [Get started: Search tips](#)
- [Google Scholar guide](#)
- [Literature Searching eLearning](#)
- [One-to-one webinars](#)
- [Local library service](#)



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## Feedback & keeping in touch

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