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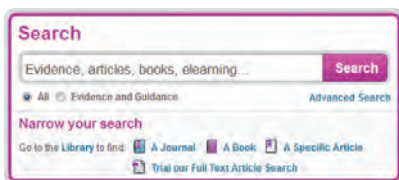
Access the Internet from any computer and go to The Knowledge Network at

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Many of the resources in The Knowledge Network are freely available without any password, but to get the full benefit of the service you will need your **Athens** username and password. If you have not already done so please register with us to login to The Knowledge Network.



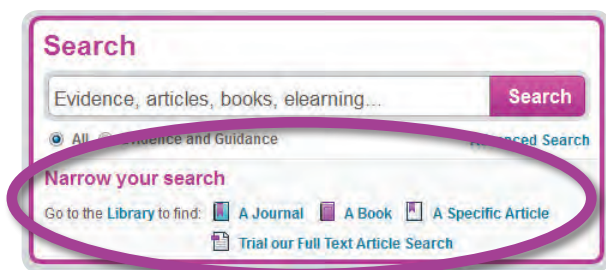
Searching The Knowledge Network



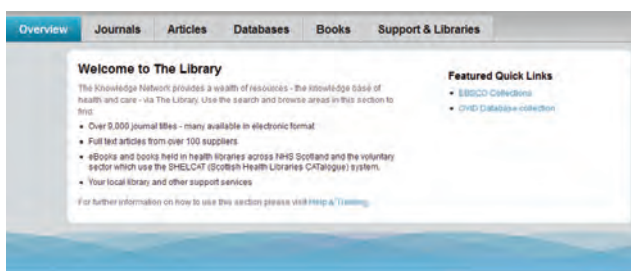
The Search box is available on every page of the website and offers:

- **Basic and advanced searching** - search 12 million information and learning resources from over 100 suppliers, including collections of articles, books and journals, guidelines, policy documents, patient information, evaluated websites and e-learning courses.
- **Evidence and Guidance search** – targeted clinical evidence search.

To easily search for known journal titles, articles or books use the Narrow your search options.



These open the **Library** tab.



Journals You can find a journal title using the search box or the A to Z journal finder.

Books Search by title, author or keyword.

Articles Search for journal articles. Enter information about the article in to the relevant fields (title, keyword, author, etc.)

From your search results, click on the title of the journal, article or book to link through to the supplier website. If the resource is not available from The Knowledge Network you will be presented with alternative options for requesting the full-text.

Databases provide more detailed options for literature searching. You can find the full list of databases e.g. Medline, CINAHL

Key resources for audiences and topics can be found at:

- **What is here for me?** by using the Edit option;
- **Portals and Topics** where areas dedicated to topics can be accessed.

Viewing Your Results

Use the filters to limit your search results

You can also save searches to be rerun at a later date

Use Save & Share to save records to My Resource Space and to manage the results of your search to: email, save, print and add tags

The screenshot shows the NHS Evidence website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Portals and Topics', 'Communities', 'Library', 'Learning and CPD', 'Keep Up To Date', and 'Tools and Apps'. Below this is a search bar with 'eczema' entered. The search results are displayed in a list format. On the left, there are various filters such as 'Evidence and Guidance', 'Resource Categories', 'Stages of Care', 'Treatment', 'Prognosis', 'Leaflets and Resources for Patients/Service Users', 'Leaflets and Websites', 'Support Groups and Centres', 'Helplines', 'Publisher', 'Information Sources', and 'Year of Publication'. On the right, there is a 'Save & Share' panel with a text box explaining that selected records will be displayed in the box and can be saved to My Resource Space or SHARED via email, print, etc. Two callouts are present: one pointing to the 'Login to save this search' button and another pointing to the 'Add to Save & Share' button.

Filters

The purpose of the **filters** is to narrow the number of results returned. You can limit your results by:

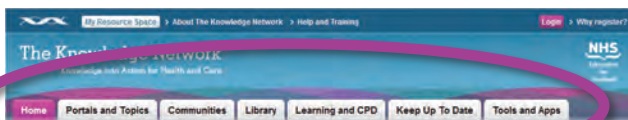
- Evidence and Guidance (clinical questions and answers, evidence summaries, guidelines, etc.);
- Resource Categories (articles, books, education and learning, etc.);
- Stages of Care (aetiology, diagnosis, prognosis, therapy);
- Information Sources (databases);
- Patient and public information;
- Year of publication.

My Resource Space

My Resource Space is like the favourites or bookmarks in a browser with the advantage that it is available from any PC or laptop providing you first login to the website. From here you can manage your favourite resources and group them together into folders based on keywords you choose.

Feeling more confident?

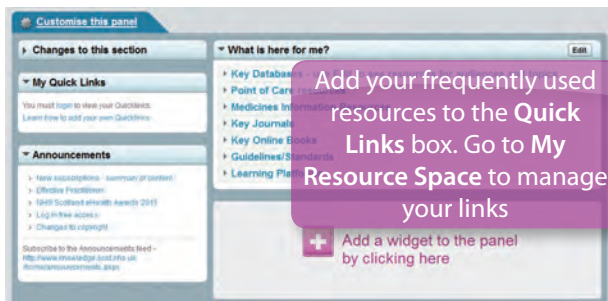
The Knowledge Network provides additional tools to support your information needs.



Use the homepage tabs to provide quick access to:

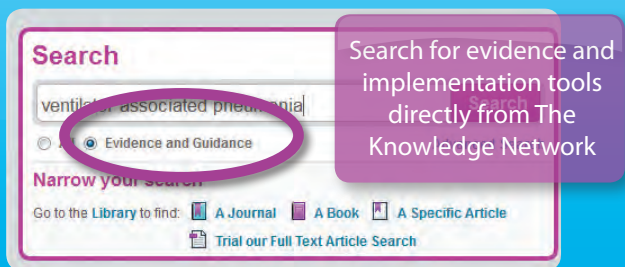
- **Portals and Topics** – provides easy access to tailored, topic specific services;
- **Library** – Subscription journals, books and databases as highlighted within the Search box;
- **Learning & CPD** – including eLearning courses (previously accessed from Virtual Learning Centre and NHS Shared Learning) and to pages about education and learning;
- **Communities** – Access Community websites, Shared Spaces and information about developing communities of practice;
- **Keep up to Date** – News services, alerting services, table of content services, etc;
- **Tools and Apps** – an area where you can get information about downloading services to your mobile phone and other devices plus information about downloadable search tools.

Personalise your homepage. The Knowledge Network homepage is made up of collections of feature boxes known as **widgets**. Using **Customise this panel** you can add or remove content to better suit your information needs.



Use knowledge to support clinical decisions and to improve quality of care

Use the dedicated search option.



Evidence into Practice, part of The Knowledge Network, helps clinicians to find, share and apply evidence to practice to deliver quality patient care.



- Easy access to the evidence base;
- Quick access to Point of Care resources;
- Practical tools for changing practice;
- Learning resources for quality improvement science.

Help and Training

For additional support on The Knowledge Network please refer to the Help and Training link on the homepage.

Develop your skills in searching, finding and using information via the **Information Literacy (IL)** portal training and tutorials.

You can also contact your local NHS Library for support, using the **Support and Libraries** section from the Library tab on the homepage.

If you have any questions about The Knowledge Network email:

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