

“Library Support Survey still live

Thank you to everyone who has completed the short survey on how the library service can support you so far, the link is “live” until 31st October 2021 and it takes less than 6 minutes to complete - https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=vpHsmOeNo0iegA8BgO2SGVq_EH9lxSZNsZnB6zRucZxUNEMzV0ROUFlwUEJEVku2TDRQWE1DNUhWMi4u

Free-to-you resources

Several resources are already available to you free of charge at the point of use with an NHS OpenAthens account including:

- BMJ Best Practice published a COVID-19 update on 14 October 2021 – available at <https://bestpractice.bmj.com/topics/en-gb/3000201#important-update> – BMJ Best Practice includes information sheets, patient information leaflets, general updates, and summaries of current “best practice”; also records 0.25 CPD credits for every 15 minutes spent on the site (recognised by some Royal Colleges); app available.
- Nursing article databases – British Nursing Index and CINAHL
- Allied Health article databases – British Nursing Index, CINAHL, Emcare,
- General medicine and medication article databases – Embase, MEDLINE
- Mental health and psychiatry - PsycINFO

If you don’t already have an NHS OpenAthens username and password, the link is <https://openathens.nice.org.uk/> and if you’re not sure what institution to choose, look for GPs and Practice Staff in the South West, Thames Valley and Wessex. Please note that eligibility rules apply. Once registered, if you’d like help searching the databases, please get in touch. (If you’re on a course, I can show you how to search and what full text is available.)

Uplifting Books

If you’d like something enjoyable to take your mind off some of the news headlines, the Uplifting Books collection is a small but perfectly formed set of books chosen by NHS colleagues for NHS colleagues, including The Boy, The Mole, The Fox, and the Horse – author Charlie Mackesy had this to say in an interview earlier this year:

‘I still get letters from nurses telling me they look at a drawing every day and use the words as a mantra. In one, the boy asks the horse what he’s learned about storms. That they end,” the horse replies.’ (Full interview at <https://www.countryliving.com/uk/wildlife/countryside/a34832144/charlie-mackesy/>)

The full list of Uplifting Books is available at <https://readingagency.org.uk/news/media/the-reading-agency-and-health-education-england-announce-a-new-book-collection---uplifting-resources.html>. There are copies of these titles available to borrow from the libraries at both Yeovil and Musgrove Park – and yes, we will send books out by post. (Although we will ask you to fill in an application form if you’re not already a member.)

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