



Library & Knowledge Services Newsletter

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Our newsletter will keep you up to date with new resources and service developments as well as news from our team members.

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Health Literacy Month 2025

October is international <u>Health Literacy Month</u>. This year's theme is the role of health literacy in increasing health equity.

What is Health Literacy? Health literacy is defined in two ways:

- Personal health literacy is how well a person can find, understand, and use information and services to make decisions about their own health and the health of others.
- Organisational health literacy is how well organisations equitably help all people find, understand, and use information and services to make decisions about their own health and others.

With the theme of increasing health equity, we would like to share two useful tools:

Health literacy geodata

This tool provides an estimate of the percentage of a local authority population with low health literacy and numeracy or with just low health literacy.

Misinformation unMASKED

The NHS England Knowledge and Library Services Team have worked with South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust to create a set of tools to help the public to unmask misinformation.



NHS Providers have produced a guide (including the infographic below) exploring the benefits of applying health literacy interventions, recommendations for trust board members, and case studies from five trusts that have effectively embedded interventions. https://nhsproviders.org/resources/improving-health-literacy-in-the-nhs



Black History Month 2025

We have collated a selection of books to celebrate this year's <u>Black History Month</u>. Scan the **QR codes** on the posters or use the links below to access the two collections on the library catalogue:

Black History Month Fiction > Health Libraries Midlands (HeLM) catalogue
Black History Month Non-Fiction > Health Libraries Midlands (HeLM) catalogue





Read anywhere, anytime - discover our e-books

Our library catalogue offers a fantastic collection of e-books, freely available for all staff. They're a convenient and flexible option - perfect for busy schedules and ideal when visiting the libraries in person isn't possible.

How to find e-books on our library catalogue:

- Go to: Health Libraries in the Midlands library catalogue
- Type your topic or keyword into the search box.
- From the All libraries drop-down menu, select Lincolnshire Community and Hospitals NHS Group.
- On the left-hand side, under **Item Type**, choose **E-book**.

E- book	Grantham & District Hospital Staff Library (GRA)	Sign in here to access	Available 24/7	Available to LCHS, LPFT and ULHT staff and students via NHS OpenAthens
book	Lincoln Knowledge, Learning and Resources HUB (LIN)	Sign in here to access	Available 24/7	Available to LCHS, LPFT and ULHT staff and students via NHS OpenAthens
book	Pilgrim Hospital Staff Library (PIL)	Sign in here to access	Available 24/7	Available to LCHS, LPFT and ULHT staff and students via NHS OpenAthens

E-book access is with your NHS OpenAthens account. Register here: https://openathens.nice.org.uk/

ClinicalKey training - Radiology

We are pleased to offer a new 45-minute online training session on **ClinicalKey**. This session will take place on **Tuesday 4th November from 11:00 to 11:45.**

This session will demonstrate how to use ClinicalKey to find high-quality, evidence-based information, with a particular focus on **radiology** and related services.

Register here: ClinicalKey Radiology link





Radiology Training

Date: Tuesday November 4th Time:11:00 to 11:30hrs UK (+ 15min Q&A)

Place: Online (registration required)

*For any additional question feel free to write to g.lopez.1@elsevier.com)





Autumn 2025 library training dates



We've finalised our training dates for Autumn 2025: https://www.nhslincslibrary.uk/training-calendar/

The Library and Knowledge Services team offers training courses to enable you to find and evaluate information and evidence more effectively.

We also offer 1:1s and tailored team training sessions, if the dates/times of our training sessions is not convenient.

To find out more about our training offer, or to request a 1:1 or team training session, please visit: https://www.nhslincslibrary.uk/page/training/