

NHS Library and Information Services Resources in the Bradford & Airedale District

There are four NHS libraries serving all NHS staff and students in the Bradford Health Partnership. The libraries are based in Airedale General Hospital, Bradford Royal Infirmary, Lynfield Mount Hospital and New Mill, Saltaire. Each library service primarily supports staff from its own organisation, with the New Mill library being the first point of contact for all Primary Care Trust and General Practice staff. We aim to offer a seamless service to all staff, so you are welcome to use the service point, which is most convenient for you, whether that is near you home or your work base.

Collectively these libraries offer the following resources and services:

- Approximately 40,000 books, reports and other media in the areas of medicine, surgery, health services management, mental health, health development, nursing and related health care fields
- Around 2500 journal subscriptions (print and electronic)
- Electronic access (from work and home) to the knowledge base of health and health care, including Medline, Cinahl, Cochrane Library, PsychInfo
- National Library for Health
- Literature searching support and training
- Current awareness service
- Information skills training for individuals and groups
- Help and advice on guidelines, systematic reviews and protocols
- Enquiry services
- Training room, fitted with 10 networked PCs at Field House, BRI. Please contact us if you are interested in booking this room for your own training activities
- Study facilities
- Document supply*
- Photocopying facilities*

*There may be a small charge for these services

Here to save you time, energy and effort by providing a fast and professional response to your information needs

Airedale General Hospital Airedale Hospitals NHS Trust

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Education Centre
Airedale General Hospital
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Keighley BD20 6TD
Telephone: (01535) 294412
Fax: 01535 292196
E-mail: airedale.library@anhst.nhs.uk

The library information service at Airedale prides itself on being a multidisciplinary and welcoming service for all staff members and placement students across the Bradford & Airedale Patch. The library has a good general book stock, particularly in the biomedical, surgical, nursing and other related healthcare fields. It also contains a wide range of current journals and excellent IT facilities.

Opening Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8.30am-7pm
Friday: 8.30am-4pm

Bradford Royal Infirmary Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Health Library & Information Services
Department of Medical Education
Field House Teaching Centre
Bradford Royal Infirmary
Bradford BD9 6RJ
Tel: 01274 364130
Fax: 01274 364704
Email: medical.library@bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk

The BRI Library is part of the Trust's Department of Medical Education, and prides itself on its skilled and friendly staff. We provide a wide collection of books and journals on nearly all aspects of medicine, surgery, NHS management, nursing and the allied health professions. We promote access to a wide range of electronic resources, including full-text books and journals. The Library includes an IT room offering 24 hour Internet access for literature searching and email as well as Microsoft Office (subject to ID checks). Colour and B/W Photocopiers, laminating and binding facilities available at minimal charges.

Opening Hours

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| Monday: | 8.30am-7.00pm |
| Tuesday: | 8.30am-8.00pm |
| Wednesday: | 8.30am-6.00pm |
| Thursday: | 8.30am-7.00pm |
| Friday: | 8.30am-4.00pm |

Lynfield Mount Hospital Bradford District Care Trust

Library & Health Promotion Resources
Lynfield Mount Hospital
Heights Lane
Bradford BD9 6DP
Tel: 01274 223900
Fax: 01274 363194
Email: library.lynfield@bdct.nhs.uk

The library has around 9,000 books and reports with particular emphasis on all aspects of health promotion, psychiatry/psychology, community care/nursing and also subscribes to around 80 journal titles in related fields. There is a large range of Health Promotion materials including leaflets, posters, videos, teaching packs, display boards, anatomical models and information files. These cover a wide range of topics such as diet, contraception, alcohol, smoking and exercise.

Opening hours:
Monday - Thursday 8.30am-5.00pm
Friday 8.30am-4.30pm

Bradford Health Informatics Service All Bradford PCT's

New Mill
Victoria Road
Shipley BD18 3LD
Tel: 01274 366051
Fax: 01274 539232
Email: library.services@bradford.nhs.uk

The service supports staff from all Bradford & Airedale Primary Care Trusts as well as all general practice staff. The stock concentrates on material to support the current NHS agenda, specialising in health service management, primary care, public health, governance issues and life-long learning. A proactive alert service is provided through individual information profiles. It is open during office hours but it is possible to arrange access at other times.



Health Evidence Support Service

A new service, working proactively with all clinical and health care teams to enable you to make more effective use of the evidence and best practice in your specialism.

If you, anyone in your team or staff from clinical networks you are involved in need help or advice on guidelines, systematic reviews, protocols or other quality assured health information, please contact the

Health Evidence Support Specialist, on 01274 366103/07773 390109 or email library.services@bradford.nhs.uk

Information Skills Training

Training in electronic information skills is available free to all NHS staff in the district. Courses are held at BRI, AGH and New Mill or can be at your workplace by arrangement. For more information, or to book a place, please contact 07977 554571 or email library.services@bradford.nhs.uk



Details of the courses currently on offer are as follows:

- Biomedical Database Training
- Introduction to the Internet
- Health Resources on the Internet
- Introduction to Critical Appraisal
- Cochrane Library Database Training
- Conducting a Literature Search

Biomedical Database Training

The biomedical databases available to the NHS are one of the main resources we have to find literature/research in the biomedical subject fields. They contain millions of citations from many of the major publications and are a vital source of information. If you want to find the research to answer health related questions these databases are an excellent place to look. To access these services, contact your local NHS library for the passwords.

Introduction to the Internet

The Internet is a popular and useful source of information. Due to the large amount of material available on the Internet it can be difficult to locate the information you want quickly and easily.

If you want to find out how to use the Internet effectively, then this two hour, hands on course will introduce you to, and have you travelling the World Wide Web with confidence and success.

Health Resources on the Internet

The Internet is an excellent source of information. But with over eight billion web pages available it can be difficult to know the best web sites to use or where to look for the information we require.

We are offering a one-hour course, which will highlight the different types of resource found on the Internet and will also show you some of the main health/biomedical web sites that you can use. A basic knowledge of the Internet is required for this course.

Introduction to Critical Appraisal

The ability to read, understand and critically appraise research and literature is fast becoming a required core skill for NHS staff. With the amount of information available to us increasing and the time we have to spend reading limited, it is important to be able to use what time we do have to identify those documents that will be most useful and most effective.

This two-hour course is designed to introduce you to some of the concepts and methods you can use to evaluate the quality and applicability of research literature.

Cochrane Library Database Training

The Cochrane Library is considered to be one of the best single sources of reliable evidence about the effects of health care. It is internationally respected as providing the gold standard in 'what works and what doesn't', and is used by researchers and clinicians world-wide, and increasingly by patients and their families.

Conducting a Literature Search

Using research to support or disprove various theories and working practices is an important and useful skill to have. To find published research we need to carry out a literature search and this course aims to introduce you to the key resources and techniques involved in conducting an effective and efficient search for available literature on a topic.