

**Were you aware?**  
**This weeks topic: -**

## Literature Searching

Searching for research to underpin your decision making can be a time consuming process. Here at the KGH Library we provide a 'Literature searching' service, where you can request a search be performed by our librarian on your behalf. This service is provided to answer clinical questions related to patient care and complex, unusual or difficult healthcare and administrative questions that have arisen in the workplace.

### **Searches can be undertaken to support: -**

A full range of work-related and staff study information needs, including:

- Patient care
- Service development
- Research
- Guideline development

### **Search process (What we do): -**

Once your request has been received we will conduct a search and provide you with details of the strategy used and the databases consulted. Search results are not limited to journal articles but can also include relevant reports and documents from health related sources. We can also provide a summary of the search results, if this is required.

### **Submitting your request: -**

Please complete and submit our online request form –

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/37WZ5HB?sm=2wD6khbHQIJ0j%2bpfjjW69g%3d%3d>

Searches usually take up to a week to complete; if you need your literature search results sooner than that, please let us know when you submit your request.

### **Please note: -**

1. This service is only available for NHS members of the KGH Library Service. Please call in to the library with your KGH ID badge to join.
2. This service is not available to students but we are more than happy to provide guidance.

### **See also: -**

#### **Literature Search Guides –**

<http://kghlibrary.koha-ptfs.co.uk/find-information/find-evidence/#>

<https://hdas.nice.org.uk/help/>

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLRbwbc3dfXUO3IYlun-5ICK-Q059JXtgk>

<https://www.nice.org.uk/about/nice-communities/library-and-knowledge-services-staff/training-materials>

**Training Courses** – for librarian delivered courses. Bookable sessions available - call in or contact us, or ask about our 'on demand' sessions to assist with planning and carrying out literature searches.

About - <http://kghlibrary.koha-ptfs.co.uk/help-and-training>

Dates - <http://kghlibrary.koha-ptfs.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2017/03/TrainingAvailablePoster.pdf>