

# Finding evidence for best practice

## Search skills refresher

Do you need evidence for; guidelines, getting published, teaching, research, service improvement projects?

Learn how to search for journal articles and published literature using clinical databases ([Health Database Advanced Search](#)), for example MEDLINE, CINAHL and British Nursing Index.

You will be shown an example search by an information specialist who will explain how to;

- ♦ identify a clear research question and plan your search
- ♦ access clinical databases and which to use for searching different topics
- ♦ create a search strategy by combining search terms and subject headings
- ♦ use search features and limits to effectively focus your results
- ♦ output your references from the database and save your results and search strategy

### Targeted Audience

This course is aimed at Trust staff and students who want to update and improve their searching skills.

### Dates

- ♦ Wednesday **14th April**, 10:00 until 11:00
- ♦ Thursday **13th May**, 10:00 until 11:00
- ♦ Monday **7th June**, 14:00 until 15:00

If these dates aren't convenient, you can;

- ♦ make an appointment for a tutorial
- ♦ book training with a colleague
- ♦ arrange a session for your team

#### Training is delivered via MS Teams

You can book a place by completing the online form [bit.ly/3p0wJVD](https://bit.ly/3p0wJVD)

Contact the library team for further information:

**Email:** [library.service@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk](mailto:library.service@walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk)

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Course participants will be provided with a toolkit of database searching resources.

### About the trainer



**Liz Askew**

is an Information and Knowledge Specialist at Walsall Library and Knowledge Services. She has over 15 years' experience searching clinical databases and providing information search skills training. She has worked with the library team for over 6 years.