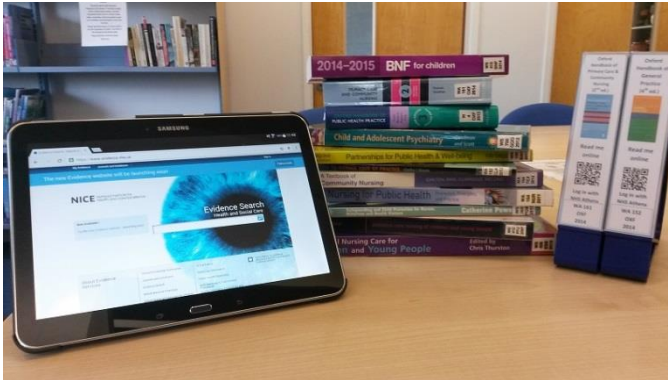


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*Providing library services wherever you are...*

# Guide to NHS Library Services

As Virgin Care staff, you are entitled to register and use one of the three local NHS libraries in Barnstaple, Exeter or Torquay. The Discovery Library in Plymouth may be used for reference purposes. Most of our services are available remotely such as book loans, access to e-resources with NHS OpenAthens, document supply, literature searching and information skills training - giving you access to library resources wherever you are based in the county. For detailed information about each library's services, please visit the library's website (details for each library on **Page 4**).

## Books and journals

Search our library catalogues to see which books and journals we have:

### **Books/eBooks: SWIMS Library Catalogue (Barnstaple & Torquay libraries)**

<http://www.swims.nhs.uk/webview/>

**Tip:** If you use the 'Advanced' search option you can specify which libraries you'd like to search (Barnstaple/North Devon District/NDH or Torquay/Torbay Hospital/TOR).

### **Books/eBooks: Exeter Health Library Catalogue (Exeter)**

<http://lib.exeter.ac.uk/>

**Tip:** Look out for books with 'Health Library' or 'Health Library-WHH' in the location field, or use the Advanced search option to specify Exeter Health Library stock.

On request, libraries are able to post books out to your workplace using hospital courier services.

**Journals A-Z:** <http://www.library.nhs.uk/booksandjournals/journals/>

(NHS OpenAthens login required - see **Page 3**). A separate A-Z list of *Exeter Health Library* journals can be found at: <http://bit.ly/EHLjnls>.

## Document supply

If you've searched our library catalogues and can't find the book or journal you need, we can order it from another library for you. Charges may sometimes apply. Some libraries offer the facility to order items online, for further information see:

### **Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust Library**

<http://www.northdevonhealth.nhs.uk/library/inter-library-loans/>

**Exeter Health Library** - <http://bit.ly/EHLlrequest>

### **South Devon Healthcare & Information Service**

<http://www.sdhl.nhs.uk/contact/requestform.html>

## NHS OpenAthens

You are entitled to register for an NHS OpenAthens username and password which will give you access to national and regional online resources including: healthcare databases, BNF & BNF for Children (also available as Apps), 100's of electronic journals and electronic books and much more!

To register go to: <https://openathens.nice.org.uk>

**TIP:** When selecting your organisation, choose "**Virgin Care (Devon based staff only)**". If you have any problems with registration then please contact the helpdesk: [athens.sdhct@nhs.net](mailto:athens.sdhct@nhs.net). For help with using the resources, contact your local NHS library.

## Information Skills training

Our trained library professionals can show you how to search effectively and get the best out of the resources available to you. Training is offered in our libraries, or we can visit you and your colleagues in your workplace.

**Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust Library** – Contact the library (page 4)

**Exeter Health Library** - <http://bit.ly/EHLtraining>

### **South Devon Healthcare & Information Service**

<http://www.sdhl.nhs.uk/trainingandoutreach.html>

## Literature searching

We know that you are all really busy people, so our trained library professionals can search the evidence for you:

**Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust Library** - Contact the Library (page 4)

**Exeter Health Library** - <http://bit.ly/EHLlitsearch>

**South Devon Healthcare & Information Service** -

<http://www.sdhl.nhs.uk/assets/docs/literaturesearchform.pdf>

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### For more details, contact your local NHS library:

**Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust Library (Barnstaple)**

Tel: 01271 322363

E-mail: [ndht.library@nhs.net](mailto:ndht.library@nhs.net)

Web: <http://www.northdevonhealth.nhs.uk/library/>

**Exeter Health Library (Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust) (Exeter)**

Tel: 01392 406800

E-mail: [medlib@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:medlib@exeter.ac.uk)

Web: <http://bit.ly/EHLhome>

Twitter: [@ExeHealthLib](https://twitter.com/ExeHealthLib)

**South Devon Healthcare Library & Information Service (Torquay)**

Tel: 01803 656700

E-mail: [library.sdhct@nhs.net](mailto:library.sdhct@nhs.net)

Web: <http://www.sdhl.nhs.uk>

Twitter: [@TrustLib](https://twitter.com/TrustLib)

**Discovery Library (Plymouth) \*REFERENCE USE ONLY\***

Tel: (01752) 439111

E-mail: [library.mailbox@nhs.net](mailto:library.mailbox@nhs.net)

Web: <http://discoverylibrary.org/>

Twitter: [@discoverylib](https://twitter.com/discoverylib)

***We look forward to hearing from you soon!***