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Your Oxford Health Libraries monthly newsletter

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During the last few months in the United Kingdom we have seen the impact of the healthcare workers' strikes. However, the public would struggle to imagine any significant consequences if your healthcare library were closed or suddenly went through a major change. Concern about what would happen to the books on the

shelves or to the study rooms is as relevant as the concern about services such as training and literature searches: how would these change? And what about access to electronic resources, such as ebooks, databases and academic journals: how would they be affected? Librarians work with various types of users to provide the services they need. For example, in our trust most staff do not work in locations served by a library. As a result, access to book collections and electronic resources are a challenge. Therefore, we post printed material to a convenient address, which is one distinctive aspect of our service; we also make sure our users can access electronic resources when they are not on site. We provide group and individual training remotely and we also travel to sites when required. Unlike most administrative staff, we attend clinical meetings and meet patients too. This first hand experience keeps us in the loop with the needs of all our staff, students as well as practitioners. It also determines the constant adjustments we make to the way we run our services, and the resources we procure. Together many other trust members, we are involved in a wide variety of projects to improve the working conditions of our staff and enhance our patients' health: this we do by searching, selecting and presenting the best evidence available, and by providing specialised services for primary care in Oxfordshire. The Oxford Health' Learning and Development (L&D) department makes whole the promise of "offering development and learning opportunities for all employees supported by library services". As healthcare librarians we are very proud to be part of the NHS and to contribute to its promise to provide "free healthcare from the cradle to the grave".

In this issue, Helen Hinchcliffe presents a great selection of books to support Pride Month and Learning Disability week; **Katie Treherne** shows the excellent work she does providing updates to the Trust Board. You will also find **Tom Rogers'** invite for you to take part in our book club, as well as some information on how to download the ClinicalKey app on your phone to use it as a point of care tool.



Pride Month and Learning Disabilities Resources lists

Helen Hinchcliffe Assistant Librarian

Please see our resource list of selected recent books available in OHFT libraries and other libraries within the SWIMS network at Pride Month 2023.

Learning Disability Week runs from 19th to 25th June and this year's promotion is aiming to challenge misconceptions about what people with a learning disability can do and shine a light

on the stigma many still face every day. OHFT libraries have produced a resource list of recent learning disability books – you can access it here - Learning Disability Week 2023.

If you would like to borrow any items, please contact us at library.enquiries@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk, or search via the NHS Knowledge and Library Hub here.



Horizon scanning: legal, regulatory & policy updates for the Board

Katie Treherne
Outreach Librarian

One of the services provided by the library is evidence updates. With the publication of so many new articles each day this is a key service for clinical staff trying to keep up with the evidence that forms the foundation of evidence-based medicine. However, our updates are not limited to clinical topics: we also provide a bulletin that covers developments in regulation and policy - anything with which OHFT as an organisation might need to be compliant. The bulletin informs the Trust Director of Corporate Affairs, Kerry Rogers, and supports the report she provides at Board meetings regarding compliance issues. The library looked at a number of existing bulletins and updates before deciding to create an in-house bulletin to support this Board report. To create the update, I check a wide variety of sources, including Department of Health and Social Care, CQC, NHS England and bodies like NHS Providers and NHS Employers.

Material which discusses new developments relevant to our community and mental health trust is then selected, from CQC inspections, to changes in deprivations of liberty legislation, to workforce considerations including whistleblowing and unfair dismissal.

You can see Kerry's Board updates in the papers for each meeting <u>here</u>.

Her latest report and appendix are **here** and **here**.



Sign up for our ...



We will be discussing David Harewood's fascinating memoir Maybe I don't belong here.

Thanks to World Book Night scheme,

we have 3 copies that you can keep.

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