

INTELLIGENCE INSIDER

Your Oxford Health Libraries monthly newsletter

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Hello, my name is Bertha Alicia Calles Cartas

Today is the eve of the now world-famous Mexican *Día de Muertos*. This fiesta, dedicated to the departed, spans over a few days during which people gather and celebrate with their families, with much food and humour. This festival is a time to reflect on transformation, on the imminence of our own demise and on the passage into another way of existence, in the hope to reunite with our loved ones. It is a time in which knowledge is exchanged using oral stories to pass on wisdom and traditions to the following generations.



Libraries are largely seen as book warehouses, where librarians are the keepers of these print sources of information. In reality, we librarians care about printed books as much as we do about any other format. We have regard for oral traditions, for the anecdotes and experience of our elders. It is important that this knowledge within organisations, communities and families is passed before the experts depart, so that it can be kept and made accessible. This expertise—like the traditional cake recipe that only grandma knows or the knowledge that the experienced [NASA engineers hand down](#)—can be transmitted through conversations which are often not recorded in meeting minutes. This is not just about business intelligence, but as [Dr June explains](#), knowledge exchange has also the power to heal and restore.

Organising this information and making it available is one aspect of Knowledge Management. How well aware are your team members of their own knowledge? What information do they need in order to improve their practice and job satisfaction? These are some of the questions with which the library can help you, to collect, organise and make accessible organisational knowledge assets. [Contact us](#) to find out more.

In this issue, **Sara Maddock** presents the BMJBestPractice Comorbidities Manager available to all NHS in England staff. **Helen Hinchcliffe** shares resources selected for Black History Month and Mental Health Day, both events taking place in October. You will also find more on how to return those library books that you had forgotten you had.

Clinical decision support for NHS staff

Sarah Maddock
Library Services Manager

The national subscription to BMJ Best Practice has been extended to include the Comorbidities Manager for all NHS staff and learners in England.

In the UK alone, one in three patients admitted to hospital as an emergency has five or more conditions. This poses a significant problem for healthcare systems. Clinical guidelines only focus on single conditions, but failure to treat the whole patient leads to worse clinical outcomes, and longer lengths of stay. The COVID-19 pandemic further highlighted the problem, with over 60% of patients admitted to intensive care units having comorbidities.

The BMJ Best Practice Comorbidities Manager supports the management of the whole patient by including guidance on the treatment of a patient's acute condition alongside their pre-existing comorbidities.

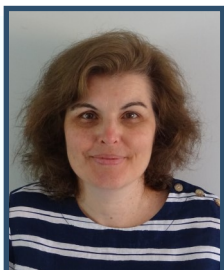
BMJ Best Practice is a practical tool to help clinicians meet the changing and more complex needs of patients, while maximising NHS resources, thus procuring better care for patients.

Available on desktop or app, 24/7 on and offline, NHS staff and learners in England can use BMJ Best Practice for free via an NHS OpenAthens account. Find out more at bmj.com/hee or [watch the short video](#)

For further support on using this or any other high quality resources contact library.enquiries@oxfordhelath.nhs.uk



Comorbidities
Treat the whole patient.
Manage the acute alongside existing conditions with our new Comorbidities tool.
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Black History Month and World Mental Health Day

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Oxford Health Libraries – Black History Month 2022

Black History Month is an annual event held every October. This year's theme is "Time For Change: Action Not Words".

Oxford Health Libraries have compiled a resource list which includes recent books and journals available in OHFT Libraries and in other libraries within the SWIMS network. You can access the resource list [here](#).

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](#).

Additional resources/information are available at:

Black History Month website: <https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/section/books/>

It includes a selection of books and links to videos and film.

Oxford Health, Equality, Diversity & Inclusion - EDI Library: Enrichment Zone (accessible via the Intranet). It includes articles, films, books, clips and links, recommended by Oxford Health staff.

Black Lives Matter Reading List (Compiled by HEE Knowledge and Library Services):

<https://library.hee.nhs.uk/learning-academy/equality%2C-diversity-and-inclusion/black-lives-matter>

It includes articles, books, podcasts and videos.

Oxford Health Libraries – World Mental Health Day 2022

Monday 10th October was World Mental Health Day. This year's theme is "Make Mental Health and Wellbeing for All a Global Priority".

Oxford Health Libraries have compiled a resource list which includes recent titles available in OHFT Libraries and in other libraries within the SWIMS network. You can access the resource list [here](#).

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

Additional resources/information are available at:

Mental Health Foundation: <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/>

MIND Information and Support: <https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/>

Reading Well for Mental Health: <https://reading-well.org.uk/books/books-on-prescription/mental-health>

Rethink Mental Illness: <https://www.rethink.org/>

World Health Organisation: <https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-mental-health-day/2022>

Young Minds: <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

CHECK

- ✓ BAGS
- ✓ CARS
- ✓ DESK
- ✓ HOME OFFICES

**NOVEMBER
"BOOK RETURN MONTH"**

RETURN ANY LIBRARY BOOKS NO LONGER REQUIRED, NO QUESTIONS ASKED!!!

- LITTLEMORE
- WARNEFORD
- WHITELEAF

WE ARE AVAILABLE 24/7 BRING THEM TO STAFF OR LEAVE THEM IN THE DROPBOX IN ANY OF OUR LIBRARIES

Oxford Health Libraries

November is "Book Return Month" in Oxford Health Libraries!

Could you please check your desks, bags, cars and home offices to see if you have any books that you might have borrowed from the libraries in the last couple of years?


We would be very grateful if any books that are no longer required could be returned to the libraries.

All our libraries are accessible 24/7 with your staff card and if the libraries are unstaffed, you can leave books in our Returns boxes.

If you are unable to visit the libraries, you can return books via internal mail - just send them to Littlemore, Warneford or Whiteleaf Libraries.

Many thanks.

Require an article or a book? Want to learn how to perform a quicker and more effective search on specific topics? Need a literature search for guidelines, case studies, research papers or a quality improvement project? Want to keep up to date with the latest information in your field of interest?

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