

INTELLIGENCE INSIDER

Your Oxford Health Libraries monthly newsletter



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Hello, my name is Bertha A Calles Cartas



It has been almost a month since Ukraine was invaded. Our Trust acknowledges the emotional distress our colleagues and patients with ties to the entire region are experiencing because of the potential escalation of the conflict. Although my “emotional investments” are in other geographical areas, this war touches me deeply, having followed, for many years, similar conflicts across the world, many of which remain obscure. This makes me particularly sensitive to colleagues and patients from other zones of conflict that might be reliving the trauma.

In the middle of the avalanche of mainstream media releases and the fear of misinformation, we might all feel as if Pandora’s box has been opened releasing the most unwholesome emotions and leaving hope trapped at the bottom of the box in the haste to close it before the worst could happen.

Archives and libraries have been preserving information for users to access balanced information on conflicts from around the world. Information at hand is now more valuable than ever. Looking at similarly ongoing complex crisis such as the [refugees in Central America](#), [the Rohingya in Myanmar](#), [the humanitarian crisis in the occupied Palestine](#) and [the food emergency in Afghanistan](#), it feels like hope finds its way out in the refugees reaching for a safe land and for compassionate fellow humans.

Paraphrasing the Argentinian writer, [Julio Cortazar](#) in his *Stories of Cronopios and Famas*, libraries and librarians are hope as they keep records and collect wisdom for this generation and the following ones. In most contexts, libraries have offered a safe space not just to study and complete assignments but also to find shelter, to dream, to create and, of course, to find information.

Besides our healthcare collections, Oxford Health Libraries provide well-being material, quiet spaces for to work and collections to support staff and patients’ mental health.

In this issue of the Intelligence Insider, **Helen Hinchcliffe** brings specialist lists of titles for awareness days in March and **Mpilo Siwela** shares a fantastic opportunity for our users to get free books for their patients.

In our last issue we introduced our newly appointed primary care librarian **Fiona Sutherland**. This time she presents the new service that she is leading.



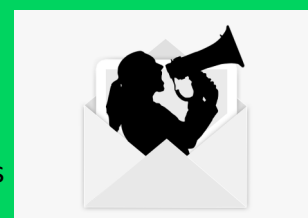
Awareness Week resources: International Women’s Day and Hydration and Nutrition Week

Helen Hinchcliffe
Library Assistant

OHFT libraries joined the Trust’s Women’s Support Group by marking International Women’s Day on 8th March. This year’s theme was #BreakTheBias, encouraging everyone to raise awareness against bias and take action for gender equality.

OHFT libraries have produced a resource list of useful books, journal articles and websites available to all OHFT staff and students. You can find a copy of the resource list [here](#).

We also promoted the Nutrition and Hydration week. You can find a list of resources [here](#). Among the books and useful links, you will also find board games that you can borrow from the library to support these topics within your teams.





World Book Night 23rd April 2022- Free books available! The early bird catches the prey!

Mpilo Siwela
Outreach Librarian



World Book Night is a national celebration of reading and books which takes place on 23 April every year. Books are given out across the UK with a focus on reaching those who don't regularly read. This year OHFT Libraries are pleased to announce that for the fifth year running we have again been successful in our application to take part and we now have a limited number of copies of *Straight Outta Crawley*- a hilarious and irreverent autobiography by comedian Romesh Ranganathan.

If you would like some copies to give to service users - particularly those who don't read for pleasure and who may have difficulty accessing reading materials, please email us at

library.enquiries@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk



Primary Care Librarian, giving the “gift of time”

Fiona Sutherland
Primary Care Librarian

I started in post on 31 January 2022 with the brief to set up a service for our Primary Care colleagues. Primary Care covers GP's, health visitors, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, speech and language therapists and a whole raft of people working together in our communities to provide direct patient care. It is the aim of Oxford Health Libraries to extend our service to include Primary Care in the provision of quality information services which will save time and lead to improved patient care.

I aim to give “the gift of time” by relieving the burden of information required to deliver patient-centred care. The new Primary Care website is available at: <https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/library/cpd-zone/>

This is the gateway to our resources tailored for Primary Care. Here, you will find links to the OH Library Catalogue (SWIMS), the Knowledge and Library HUB and the all-important OpenAthens registration link which allows access to electronic resources anywhere.

The Library and Knowledge HUB, which replaces HDAS, is the indispensable search tool for those in Primary Care wanting an authoritative literature search – quickly. It includes quality information from CINAHL, Emerald, Medline and the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews and works like Google. It is a one-stop shop and searches the OH Library catalogue and many other databases.

If practitioners require more complex Literature Searches, they can request me to do a literature search through the Primary Care website and I will save them the time.


I will be running bookable “bite sized training sessions” on the Library and Knowledge HUB, Literature Searching and Critical Appraisal training which are also bookable through the Primary Care Website. You can also contact me directly via Fiona.Sutherland@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk.

I am looking forward to working with you.



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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