

Your NHS OpenAthens Account

NICE Core Content for NHS-commissioned health care students

If you are a student on an NHS-commissioned programme of study, involving practice and placement with NHS service provider, then you are eligible to access NICE Core Content for the duration of your course. Access is provided to Higher Education Institutions via OpenAthens under an agreement with National Institute for Health and Care Excellence and Health Education England (NICE).

You will be provided with an OpenAthens account at the start of your course. Look out for an email from <athens-noreply@eduserv.org.uk> asking you to activate your account and accept the terms and conditions. Contact <elibrary@brunel.ac.uk> to ask for assistance if you do not receive an email or if you do not activate your account within 30 days. Once your account is active you may start using the provided by NICE to the NHS.

Available Content

Your OpenAthens account gives you access to NICE's core [resource hub](#) provided to the NHS, including:

- Bibliographic databases provided by: EBSCOhost ([Psychology and Behavioural Sciences Collection](#)); Ovid (**AMED (Allied and Complementary Medicine)**, **Embase**, **Ovid EMCARE**, **HMIC Health Management Information Consortium**, and **Ovid MEDLINE** - select "OpenAthens | Institutional" link and then find "Brunel University London NHS in England" to log in); and ProQuest ([Health Research Premium Collection](#) and [PsycARTICLES](#) – search for "NICE" and then find "NHS in England" to log in).
- [e-Learning for Healthcare \(e-LfH\)](#) – select the "Sign on with OpenAthens" button.
- [BMJ Best Practice](#) – sign in via "Brunel University London NHS in England".
- [Cochrane Library](#); [Stem Cell Evidence Library](#) and [Transfusion Evidence Library](#).
- [HDAS \(Healthcare Databases for the NHS in England\)](#) - a unified search service including Medline, EMBASE and CINAHL.
- [Journals A to Z](#).
- [British National Formulary \(BNF\)](#) and [British National Formulary for Children \(BNFC\)](#) – access via [NICE](#) or sign up for the free mobile

app – see <https://www.nice.org.uk/news/article/free-bnf-prescribing-app-launches>

Accessing NICE Core Content

You may access these resources via NICE's resource hub (<https://openathens.nice.org.uk/Hub/Resources>) or via NICE's Evidence services (<https://www.evidence.nhs.uk/>). There is also a link to our NHS OpenAthens FAQs on the Welcome section of your [Health Sciences Library Guide](#).

These resources are also accessible directly via suppliers' websites when you sign in via OpenAthens.

However, they are **not** listed on Brunel Library's own Library resources (including the Library search tool, the e-Journals A to Z, or the Databases A-Z web pages) and, therefore, will not be linked when conducting searches using your Brunel accounts.

If you have any issues with using these databases, please contact [Shazia Arif](#) (or contact her via your Health Sciences Library Guide: <https://libguides.brunel.ac.uk/health>).

Your Brunel OpenAthens account will expire automatically when you complete your course - if you need an extension for any reason, please contact [<elibrary@brunel.ac.uk>](mailto:elibrary@brunel.ac.uk).

The NHS Trusts you are placed with may have access to additional content through local purchasing arrangements. You may register directly with your Trust when you are on placement. The same procedure applies after you finish your Brunel course. If you are employed by, or contracted to, an NHS Trust, and you require access to NICE Core Content, you should use the self-registration form to request a separate NHS OpenAthens account at <https://openathens.nice.org.uk/>.