



Impact Case Study

Title:

CPD support

User testimonial:

"I asked for support in the formal process of literature searching at a higher level. The library staff were really supportive to show me the process and different methods which would also let me access from home etc.

Once I had completed the search they helped provide me with articles I requested. They were prompt and so helpful in getting me the articles I needed, and I asked for a lot!!

Liz also proof read my final draft and gave me some support with structuring.

Most importantly all the library staff were always helpful and calming when I felt stuck with direction of the essay and where my research was going."

Senior Physiotherapist, UHD

Challenge:

A UHD staff member undertaking an MSc module required support with producing a graded essay on rehabilitation in critical illness.

Solution:

Library staff initially delivered a training session on how to search for evidence on the healthcare databases by choosing appropriate databases, how to select search terms and how to use Boolean operators. Support was provided in setting up an NHS Athens account and articles were sourced through inter library loan. A further session was delivered on essay structure and referencing.

Immediate and future Impact:

"The quality of articles and evidence has given grounding to change the rehabilitation / mobility culture within critical care. We try to mobilise our patients earlier and have started

exploring a “rehab pathway”. Having support to continue my learning at a higher level has given me a great deal of confidence and question practice. We are trying to establish a culture of rehabilitation and evidence behind it is vital.”

Success factors:

“I passed my module with 72% and I 100% believe that was with the support of our fantastic librarian team.”

Our Lessons learnt:

How to tailor our training sessions for individual staff requirements and how we can continue to support our staff through their CPD.

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