Getting the most out of the Libraries’ Health News and Information Portal

Our Health News and Information Portal aims to bring together in one place the latest health news updates, meeting all you current awareness needs from one gateway site.

To access the site go to: http://www.netvibes.com/northantspslibraries (no need to sign in)

From the homepage you can click on different tabs to view the topic areas of particular interest to you:

- Click on arrows to scroll across all topic areas or to bring up a drop-down list of all topics
- Click on a tab to access the news updates for individual topic areas
When you reach the page for your chosen topic area, the latest news and publications (called news feeds) are arranged by the websites that the news items have come in from. News feeds come in from a wide variety of publications and organisations, for example, NICE, Journals such as the The Lancet and the British Journal of Psychiatry, news sites such as BBC Health News, and other organisations including the Faculty of Public Health, the Centre for Mental Health and the King’s Fund.

The topic you have chosen is highlighted. You can click on another tab at any point to go to a different topic area.

News feeds are arranged by the resource which has provided the news story.
Each news feed will display the most recent news story first and will also tell you when the news story appeared so you can see how up-to-date it is. Click on individual news stories to be taken to the full text:

Use the scroll bar on the right hand side of the screen to navigate up and down the page in order to see the full range of feeds available.

Click on the title of a feed to be taken to its homepage.

Information is given on the age of the information.

Click here to view older news stories.

Click on a news headline to view the full text.
Some newsfeeds contain or are podcasts. These are audio recordings, usually interviews or discussions, on a particular topic.

With some browsers you may need to click on the Podcast title to go direct to the website to access it.

If you click on the ‘Listen’ option, the Podcast controls display at the top of the screen. If this doesn’t work; try downloading it or click on the title of the podcast to take you the website where they may be other options available.

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