

Library Helpsheet No. 1

Creating and using an NHS Athens account

What is an NHS Athens account?

Athens is the brand name of a system that controls access to online resources such as e-journals and databases.

When you register for an NHS Athens account, you will create a username and password. You will need your username and password to log-in to any of the free NHS resources available to you.

View a list of all your free NHS resources by logging in to the *MyAthens* (www.athensams.net/myathens) web pages with your NHS Athens username and password.

Who can have an NHS Athens account?

Anyone working for or on placement within the NHS in England can register for an NHS Athens account.

What if I have a university Athens account?

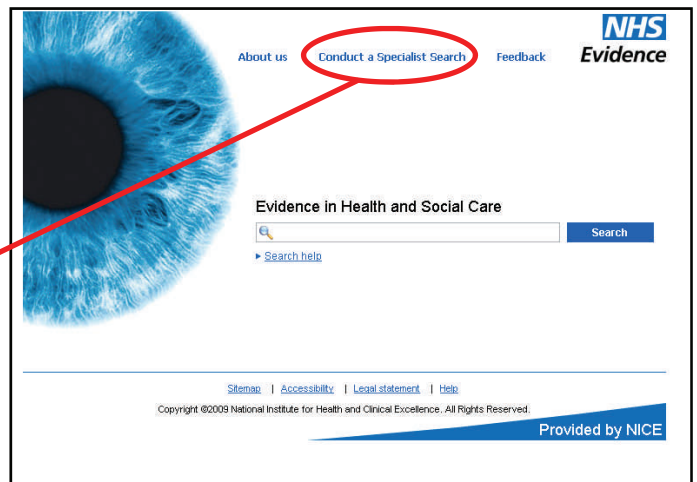
Your university Athens username and password will only allow you to access online resources purchased by your university; you will need to register for an NHS Athens account in addition.

How do I register for an NHS Athens account?

You can self-register from an NHS networked computer at the NHS Evidence website:

www.evidence.nhs.uk

1. Hover over the link to 'Conduct a Specialist Search', then from the drop down menu select 'Register for Athens'.
2. Search for your employing organisation by keyword or by region (*North West SHA* then *NHS Wirral*).
3. Select your NHS Trust (students on placement, please select the NHS Trust that you are on placement with).
4. Enter your personal details and select the tick box to accept the terms and conditions before selecting 'Submit'.
5. Your NHS Athens account details will be confirmed on screen; make a note of your username.
6. An account activation email will be sent to your e-mail Address; follow the instructions in the e-mail. Your account must be activated before you can use it.
7. You will be asked to choose a password; follow the on-screen instructions and you will be taken to the *MyAthens* website, where you can view a list of all your NHS resources in the **Resources** section.



What if I forget my log-in details?

Please contact either site library (details below) and ask for the Athens Administrator.

On the *My Athens* website you can:

- View all the free NHS resources you are eligible to access in the **Resources** section
- Reset your password or change your e-mail address in the **My Account** section

View our webpages at www.whnt.nhs.uk/library or contact us at:

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