

DBTH Knowledge & Library Service

Literature search service impact 2019/20

126 enquirers, covering 197 separate searches, an increase in enquirers of 14% over last year



“The information and evidence provided formed the basis of the urgent and emergency care services redesign for Doncaster ”



100% of searches completed by agreed date. 19% were done same or next day, 45% in 5 days or less, & 80% in 10 days or less.



Searches helped avoid the following: hospital admissions (13%) delays in patient pathway (25%) unnecessary costs (13%), or tests/procedures (25%)



62% of our searches were used for clinical decision making, 72% were used to develop clinical guidelines



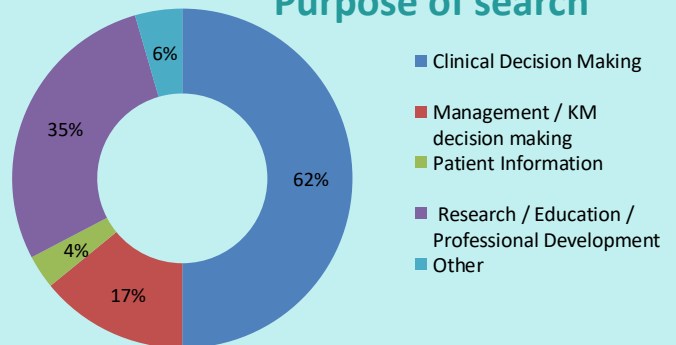
39% used the evidence to give advice to patients or carers, 33% said it influenced their choice of tests



56% of requesters used the evidence to give advice to colleagues, and 35% supported personal research or CPD.

“The information provided has been extremely helpful in providing up to date literature that has informed the development and evaluation of a piece of research that will hopefully lead to improved patient experiences “

Purpose of search



Additional Impacts

Quality of life for patients / family	33%
Choice of tests	33%
Service development	56%
Choice of drugs or other treatments	22%
Learned something new	68%
Confirmed proposed care or treatment	33%
Identified alternatives to initial therapy	22%

“Used to develop stop smoking services in pregnancy”

“As a starter for my quality improvement project”

“Used for writing an incident investigation report”

“Improve the quality of local services”

“You think that you have undertaken a thorough search until you see what this team can do for you”