

DBTH Knowledge & Library Service

Literature search service impact 2018/19

111 enquirers, covering 212 separate searches, an increase of 24% over the previous year



“The information provided was an up to date evidence search used to inform a Trust guideline during the review process”



100% of requests completed within agreed time-scales. 13% were done same or next day, 38% in 5 days or less



Searches helped avoid unnecessary costs (21%), hospital admissions (7%) delays in patient pathway (21%) tests/procedures (24%)



58% of our searches were used for clinical decision making, 21% support management decision making



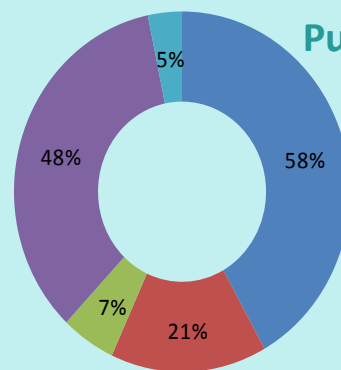
24% used the evidence for personal research 39% are planning to use the evidence to get published



62% of requesters used the evidence to give advice to colleagues, and almost 60% used it for service development

“This information helped inform a pathway criteria change which will ensure the patient is on the right pathway, seeing the right clinicians at the right time in the Antenatal pathway at DBTH”

Purpose of search



- Clinical Decision Making
- Management / KM decision making
- Patient Information
- Research / Education / Professional Development
- Other

Impacts

Quality of life for patients / family	24%
Advice given to patients / carers	29%
Diagnosis	24%
Choice of drugs or other treatments	21%
Guideline or pathway development	53%
Minimisation of risks of treatment	29%
Avoid unnecessary tests or procedures	24%
Avoid delays in the patient pathway	21%

“The information was used within a Quality Improvement Rapid Improvement Event “

“the impetus for us to start a new piece of research to add to the research identified from the Literature Review”

“The literature search helped us define questions for our consultations with key stakeholders”

“to update our guidelines and teaching on this emergency topic”