

Thursday, 12 June 2008

NLH Learning Disabilities Specialist Library
www.library.nhs.uk/learningdisabilities

Dear colleague,

In April 2007, the Learning Disability Specialist Library published its 'Knowledge Week', in line with National Library for Health Guidelines, focusing on the healthcare needs of people with learning disabilities.

This year, we are carrying out an Annual Evidence Update, whereby we search databases, and hand search journals to identify relevant publications in the subject areas since the launch of the knowledge week.

The purpose of this note is to ask if you would be willing to scan the draft list of articles and respond to two key questions.

The articles can be found at:

<http://www.library.nhs.uk/learningdisabilities/ViewResource.aspx?resID=288163&tabID=289>

There is a list of five topic areas we are updating. Each topic area links to a list of references, published since April 2007. It is recognised that not all of the subject areas covered will be in your area of interest and/or expertise.

Questions:

1. Have all the relevant articles been found?
 - a. If not, please provide references to articles we have missed
2. Do any of the articles, in your view, add substantially to knowledge of the selected areas?
 - a. If so please highlight which articles.
 - b. Please make a short note on how you think the article adds substantially to knowledge in the area.

We will publish the annual update on the site on Monday 30th June 2008, so I would be grateful for any responses as soon as possible, and ideally before Wednesday 26th June. Many thanks for your assistance, and please do feel free to pass this message on to colleagues.

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