

## Our services

### Book lending and article supply

From our comprehensive collection we can supply books and other material. Books can be borrowed either in person or via our **postal loans** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/library-services/Postal-loan-request.aspx>) service. We can also **provide access to articles** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/forms/articlerequest.aspx>) published in a wide range of specialist academic journals.

### Literature searching

To our academic staff as well as to our contract users we **provide support** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/help-and-training/literature-searching.aspx>) at all stages of a literature search. We also carry out literature searches to a specific brief. Please **send us details for your search request** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/forms/litsearch.aspx>) on our online form.

### Current awareness services

We compile a number of **current awareness bulletins** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/current-awareness/bulletins.aspx>) on topics such as: public health, leadership, commissioning, patient and public involvement. In addition to these specialist bulletins we provide a daily health-related news digest, and we send out the results of two comprehensive **subject-focused searches** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/hsmc-library/current-awareness/snappy-searches.aspx>) per week.

### Training

We provide tailored training sessions to contract users, current staff and students on topics such as: strategies for literature searches; databases; referencing; referencing software.

If you would like to find out more about the services on offer, please contact library manager **Rachel Posaner** (<mailto:r.d.posaner@bham.ac.uk>).