A quick overview of the latest guidance and evidence on current issues such as smoking, sexual health, health inequalities, mental health, obesity, substance abuse, women’s health – in fact anything that you ask for!

If you have a topic suggestion, please email it to Rachel Posaner. Previous searches can be found at: http://bit.ly/1H6QOQk

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