

# Knowledge-Based Information Available Anywhere, Anytime

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# Poll Question

## Poll Questions #1

Please select your role in the VA:

- Clinical provider
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- Other

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## Poll Questions #2

Do you have a librarian available at your VA medical center?

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### New Resource

New resource for hematology and oncology resources. Click 'Learn More' to explore!

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Select your medical center

## Find a Database

For a brief description of each database, visit the [Find a Database](#) page. If you are working remotely, you will need to log into [Athens Remote Access](#) to access these resources.

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# Poll Question

## Poll Question #3

How many databases are provided to all VA employees?

- 10
- 20
- 30
- Over 40

# Select a Database from Drop-Down Menu

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McKesson InterQual Book View  
MDGuidelines  
Mosby's Nursing Consult  
Mosby's Skills  
National Guideline Clearinghouse (NGC)  
Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database  
Natural Standard  
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oneSOURCE Document Site  
OvidMD  
PILOTS (Published International Literature on Traumatic Stress) Database  
Procedures Consult  
PsycARTICLES  
PsycBOOKS  
PsychiatryOnline  
Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection  
PsycINFO  
PsycTESTS  
Pubmed  
Rehabilitation & Sports Medicine Source  
Rehabilitation Reference Center  
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- [AccessAnesthesiology\\*](#)  
AccessAnesthesiology includes anesthesiology ebooks, videos, interactive self-assessments, case studies, practice guidelines, drug database, curriculum development tools and more.
- [AccessEmergency Medicine\\*](#)  
AccessEmergency Medicine includes emergency medicine ebooks, videos, interactive self-assessments, images, drug database, curriculum development tools and more.
- [AccessMedicine\\*](#)  
AccessMedicine includes medical ebooks, videos, interactive self-assessments, diagnostic tests, practice guidelines, drug database, curriculum development tools and more.
- [AccessMedicine – Hematology Oncology Collection\\*](#)  
AccessMedicine – Hematology Oncology Collection includes hematology oncology ebooks, quick reference, interactive review questions, case studies, calculators, curriculum development tools and more.
- [AccessPharmacy\\*](#)  
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### Literature e-Alerts

Prepared by professional librarians in the VA Library Network and delivered straight to your inbox, Literature e-Alerts help you stay up-to-date on the latest developments in selected fields. To sign up, fill out the [Literature e-Alerts form](#).

### Journal Table of Content e-Alerts

For some journal titles, you can receive the table of contents with links to the full text articles via email. To select titles and sign up for the service, please complete the [Journal e-Alerts form](#).

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Upon receipt of the alerts, subscribers will need to work with their local library staff to obtain full-text articles.

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- Information Technology

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- Advancements in Learning Technologies
- CPR & Resuscitation Education
- Electronic Health Records

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Table of contents with links to the full text of the articles are delivered to you via email. Please select the journal titles and complete the required information.

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**Please select the Table of Contents e-Alerts you would like to receive:**

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AJHP – American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy

American Journal of Industrial Medicine

American Journal of Medical Quality

Journal of Law, Medicine, & Ethics

Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease

JONA – Journal of Nursing Administration

Journal of Occupational & Environmental Medicine

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## Continuing Education

### Continuing Education Included in National Subscriptions

The following library resources have CME/CE included in the national subscription. Personal accounts are required for each unique resource; see below for instructions for registering.

#### **AccessMedicine, AccessAnesthesiology, AccessEmergency Medicine, AccessSurgery**

[Information and Instructions](#) 

#### **CINAHL with Full Text**

[FAQs on CINAHL with Full Text CE](#)

[How to find CE in CINAHL](#)

#### **ClinicalKey**

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#### **ClinicalKey for Nursing**

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#### **JAMA Network**

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### Frequently Asked Questions

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[Online Books and Journals FAQs](#)

[Remote Access FAQs](#)

#### General FAQs

- Who may use the VHA Desktop Library?
  - All VA employees and contractors may use the VHA National Desktop Library. Residents, students, and trainees are allowed access while they are on rotation at the VA. However, it is recommended that you use your [local library website](#) which may provide additional resources.
- Is there training available for the resources?
  - There are a number of ways to receive training:  
[Contact your local library staff for classes or one-on-one training.](#)

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Your best resource is your local library staff! Library staff can help you navigate the list of online journals and books, as well as the many subject specific databases. They can provide resource training, literature searches and alerts,

#### Select your medical center

- VISN 1-- Bedford, MA
- VISN 1-- Boston Healthcare System
- VISN 1-- Manchester VA Medical Center
- VISN 1-- Central Western Massachusetts Healthcare System
- VISN 1-- Providence VA Medical Center
- VISN 1-- Togus VA Medical Center
- VISN 1-- Connecticut Healthcare System
- VISN 1-- White River Junction, VT
- VISN 2-- Samuel S. Stratton Albany VA Medical Center
- VISN 2-- Bath VA Medical Center
- VISN 2-- Bronx VAMC
- VISN 2-- Brooklyn Campus VAMC
- VISN 2-- Canandaigua VA Medical Center
- VISN 2-- VA Hudson Valley Healthcare System
- VISN 2-- New Jersey VAMC, East Orange
- VISN 2-- New Jersey VAMC, Lyons
- VISN 2-- Northport VAMC
- VISN 2-- New York Campus VAMC
- VISN 2-- Syracuse VA Medical Center
- VISN 2-- Western New York Healthcare System, Buffalo
- VISN 2-- Western New York Healthcare System, Batavia
- VISN 4-- Butler VA Medical Center
- VISN 4-- Coatesville VA Medical Center
- VISN 4-- Erie VA Medical Center
- VISN 4-- James E. Van Zandt VAMC

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# Find Your Library

## VA Library Network (VALNET) Directory Search Results - New York, NY

**Manhattan Campus of the VA NY Harbor Healthcare System, VISN 2**  
**423 East 23rd Street**  
**New York, NY 10010**

**Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Use the following links to locate library resources:

- [Find Online Books, Journals and Databases](#)
- [Library Catalog](#)
- [Library Website](#)

Use the following forms to request library services:

- [Interlibrary Loan Request Form](#)
- [Search Request](#)

Contact your local library staff for assistance:

**Peter Cole**, Librarian Manager  
[Peter.Cole@va.gov](mailto:Peter.Cole@va.gov)  
(212) 686-7500

**Erik Helman**, Library Technician  
[Erik.Helman@va.gov](mailto:Erik.Helman@va.gov)

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The following library resources have mobile apps included in the national subscription and are available to all VHA Employees. All apps are available on the iOS and Android platforms. Click on the resource name for login instructions for each mobile app.

For library resources that do not have a dedicated mobile app, the resource website will automatically optimize for viewing on a mobile device. You will need to use an [Athens Remote Access Account](#) to access library resources if your device is not on the VA network.

#### [AccessMedicine\\*](#)

Free with national subscription. Users must have an active My Access account and sign in every 90 days through your institution.

#### [ClinicalKey / ClinicalKey for Nursing](#) \*

Free with national subscription. Users must have an active ClinicalKey personal account and sign in every 180 days through your institution. At first login you will be prompted to choose ClinicalKey or ClinicalKey for Nursing, but you can switch between databases by going to Menu > Change Role.

#### [Lexicomp Online for Dentistry](#)

Free with national subscription. Provides dental professionals with dental specific pharmacology information and drug interaction analysis tools to ensure medication safety in the dental clinic.

#### [Natural Medicines](#) \*

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- [AccessEmergency Medicine](#) (English and Spanish; select materials available in Chinese, French, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese)
- [AccessMedicine](#) (English and Spanish; select materials available in Chinese, French, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese)
- [AccessPharmacy](#) (English and Spanish; select materials available in Chinese, French, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese)
- [AccessSurgery](#) (English and Spanish; select materials available in Chinese, French, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese)
- [ClinicalKey](#) (English and Spanish; select materials available in Arabic, Bosnian, Canadian French, Chinese (Mandarin/Traditional), Haitian Creole, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Tagalog, and Vietnamese)
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### Remote Access With an Athens Account

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- [Register for an Athens Personal Account](#) (Initial registration must be completed onsite.)
- [Athens user login](#)
- Contact the [Library Network Office](#) for forgotten usernames
- [Reset forgotten passwords](#)
- [Renew expired accounts](#) (Account must be due to expire within 30 days or has been expired no more than 90 days. Re-registration must be completed onsite.)
- [Recorded trainings](#), including how to register for and use an Athens personal account, can be found on the [Training](#) page
- [Remote Access FAQs](#)

For problems or questions regarding your Athens account please contact the [Library Network Office](#).

# Athens Registration

## Apply for a Department of Veterans Affairs Athens Access Account

This account will give you access to the Department of Veterans Affairs' electronic resources that are included in the National Core Collection of Online Resources or that are licensed by your facility/VISN using a single username and password from any computer with an Internet connection.

Before you register, be aware of the following:

1. To register, you must be a Department of Veterans Affairs employee. You must register at your facility from a Department of Veterans Affairs computer.

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Please enter your details on the form below. Please note that **all fields marked \* must be completed** otherwise you will be unable to submit your entry. If you are unable to locate your facility, please contact the [Library Network Office](#).

### Your Organization Details

Choose the medical center or parent facility you are primarily affiliated with: \*

Please choose your facility

### Your Personal Details

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Is your position permanent or temporary (including students/residents/fellows) \*

Please select

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## How to use MyAthens



**Move panels** to another position on the page by clicking on

**Close panels** that you do not want on your homepage by clicking on To add them again go to 'Add panels'.

**Minimise or maximise panels** on the page by clicking or .

**Group your favourites** under one panel by ticking the box next to the resource in the Resources page.

**Problems of access to resources** should be reported to your Athens administrator (see Comments Form in Help).

**Cross searching** is not yet available on MyAthens but we are investigating this facility with Content providers.

## All Resources



[\\*A to Z Ejournals and Ebooks available to VA Central Office](#)

- ▶ [Access Databases](#)
- ▶ [American Physiological Society](#)
- ▶ [Anatomy.tv powered by Primal Pictures](#)
- ▶ [Annals of Internal Medicine](#)
- ▶ [Annual Reviews](#)
- ▶ [APIC Text of Infection Control and Epidemiology](#)
- ▶ [BMJ Journals Collection](#)
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## Resource Training



Get training on nationally purchased resources including Access Pharmacy, Visual DX, Rehabilitation Reference Center and more! Click [here](#) for more information.

## Poll Question

### Poll Question #4

Once I sign up for an Athens remote access account, I should be able to get any article that has an Athens sign in.

- True
- False

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Subject guides are a list of resources carefully tailored by library professionals to present select online books, journals and databases that will assist the user in locating information to support their specific programs and research. If you are working remotely, you will need to log into [Athens Remote Access](#) to access the database.

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- [Cardiology](#)
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- [Emergency Medicine](#)
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- [Gastroenterology](#)
- [Infectious Diseases](#)
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External Link Disclaimer: All links below are External links. By clicking on these links, you will leave the Department of Veterans Affairs website. VA does not endorse and is not responsible for the content of the linked website.

Online Journals

Online Books

Clinical Databases

Ovid Top Articles

A sample of the online journals available in endocrinology include:

- [Clinical Endocrinology](#)
- [Cytokine and Growth Factor Reviews](#)
- [Diabetologia](#)
- [General and Comparative Endocrinology](#)
- [Trends in Endocrinology and Metabolism](#)

To locate all online journals available to you, search your [local library](#).

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### Training

Training programs and material are available for many of the resources that are part of the National Core Collection. Click on the links below the resource name to view a tutorial or demo on how to use and navigate the resource.

Training labeled as Knowledge Nook Recorded Training are VA-specific training sessions that were provided by the vendor, and are only available while connected to the VA network.

### How to Access Online Resources

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- **Implementing Evidence Into Practice Knowledge Nook**  
[Presentation Slides - PDF](#)

### How to Search Our Databases

- **AccessAnesthesiology, AccessEmergency Medicine, AccessMedicine, AccessPharmacy, AccessPhysiotherapy, AccessSurgery**  
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- **Anatomy.tv**  
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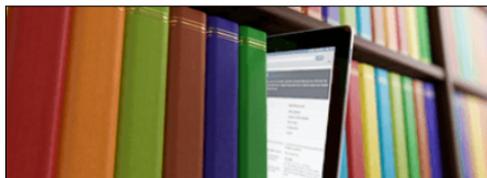
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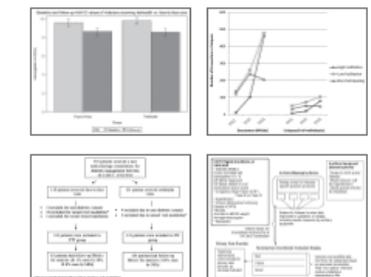
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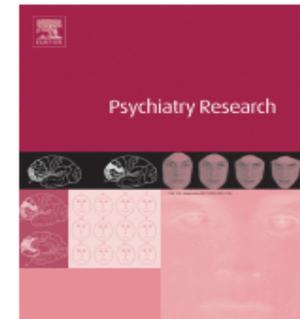
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## VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (VHA) NATIONAL CORE COLLECTION OF ONLINE RESOURCES



### LIBRARY NETWORK OFFICE

The Library Network Office (LNO) works in conjunction with the VA Library Network (VALNET) and VHA Program Offices to select the appropriate resources to include in the National Core Collection. The availability of the National Core Collection at an enterprise-level ensures consistent availability of the knowledge-based information resources to all VHA staff.

The National Core Collection is a dynamic collection of online library resources, available to all VHA employees, to support and enhance the quality of care provided to Veterans, their caregivers and their family members. The collection provides VHA staff with access to a consistent set of online resources and supplements the collections of individual VA Medical Center libraries.

The **VHA National Desktop Library**, at <http://www.va.gov/Library>, is a website that was designed to highlight the national resources along with other services and tools that are available to all VHA staff.

### AVAILABLE RESOURCES

The National Core Collection resources target a wide range of clinical disciplines, including psychiatry and nursing.

- **Online Journals:** Access to 7,000 journals.
- **Online Books:** Access to over 25,000 books.
- **Online Databases:** Access to 45 databases.

### AVAILABLE SERVICES

The VHA National Desktop Library website provides additional services that are available to all VHA employees:

- Links to online tutorials and specially recorded VA training sessions for the National Core Collection resources.
- Registration for **e-Alerts** that are delivered straight to your inbox:
  - Literature alerts keep you up-to-date on the latest developments in selected fields.
  - Tables of contents alerts direct you to articles in selected titles from the National Core Collection.

### GETTING STARTED

The National Core Collection can be accessed in one of the following ways:

- **VHA National Desktop Library Website** – at <http://www.va.gov/Library>.
- **Local VA Library** – provides access to the National Core Collection as well as resources and services available locally.
- **Athens Remote Access** – Most library resources can be accessed remotely through **Athens**, [http://www.va.gov/Library/Remote\\_Access.asp](http://www.va.gov/Library/Remote_Access.asp), a service that requires only one URL and one username/password. Note: You must be on the VA network to register for remote access.