# Library Strategy 2019-2022

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THETAVISTOCK AND PORTMAN NHS FOUNDATION TRUST LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STRATEGY 2019-22

The Library and Information Service Strategy reflects both the Trust's strategy as a leader in the field of mental health delivering world class clinical care and also the Department of Education and Training strategy. This strategy puts the student experience at the centre of the department's work as an educator of excellence. Given that Health Education England (HEE) exists for one reason only "to support the delivery of excellent healthcare and health improvement to the patients and public of England" it is important that our Strategy also reflects this vision.

This strategy has been produced at a time of radical change in the NHS, where budgets are contracting and at the same time growth is necessary for the Trust to survive.

The key areas are captured in an Operational Plan and will be monitored monthly via the Activity Diary. The Operational Plan is an internal working document, showing how the library is going to action the objectives in the key performance areas.

The Library Strategy presents seven Key Performance Areas which encapsulates the main emphasis on which the library will concentrate during the next three years.

### Mission

- To support the Trust by helping to further the clinical, academic and research work, thus improving the effectiveness and quality of patient care.
- To ensure that the library is embedded in the Organisation and is business critical.
- To provide an information infrastructure that will give the best access to quality information.
- To provide the skills to enable users to appraise and evaluate information.
- Paramount to the provision of such a service is a suitably qualified, IT literate and committed staff team.



## Vision

In the period 2019-22 the library will support the work of the Trust, building on existing strengths and balancing resources to maintain and improve a quality of service that befits the Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust

#### The Library will continue to:

- Enrich the user experience by providing services and resources that meet the changing profile and increasingly high expectations of our users.
- Transform its physical space to continue to meet the needs of all our users.
- Engage new audiences.
- Be staffed by a workforce whose skills continue to keep pace with change.
- Balance the collection by continuing to purchase materials relating to Race, Class, Gender and Diversity

These values are:

High-quality services for all users of the Library.

Leadership, innovation and a willingness to embrace opportunities for change.

Intellectual freedom and adherence to Information Governance and the Disability Discrimination Act.

# Values

Accessibility, equality of opportunity and fulfilment of potential.

Collaboration with both internal departments and units and external Institutions both HE and NHS

To encourage the use of materials in relation to Race, Class, Gender and Disability

# Key Performance Areas

- User Experience
- Systems, Collections and Processes
- Widening Participation Equality and Diversity
- Research Support
- Finance and Resource Management
- Space Management
- Library Staffing

The Library Service is at the heart of the Trust user experience and provides excellent support and innovative services.

The library needs to ensure that it reflects the changing Tavistock community, which over the past three years has become a much more diverse body now recruiting more international and doctoral students. The range of CPD courses have grown and more courses are being run in National Centres rather than just in London.

Also the new Digital Academy will deliver long and short term courses both national and International and these courses will also need to be supported by the library

The library will strive to continue to develop services in a creative and user-focused way, Necessary to identify needs regularly.

Staff will explore the potential of new technologies and opportunities to enhance collections and support services.

We aim to ensure that each interaction with our services meets the high expectations of our users and is available as needed.

Ensure users have equitable access to services and resources.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Conduct bite size user needs surveys throughout the year
- Incorporate new technologies into the service where appropriate.
- Ensure that the Library website looks fresh and modern and is completely relevant to the changing needs and conforms to the new accessibility requirements for public sector bodies
- Provide an efficient, effective enquiry/issue desk service at times most suitable for users to access them.

#### **OUTCOMES**

- A relevant, interesting, innovative library service that equips:
  - all students including students who are NHS employees,
  - researchers
  - non academic or non clinical staff
  - academic and clinical staff
  - associate sites staff and students
  - off-site clinical units

With more e-courses being developed with the help of the Digital Academy, the library will offer support with this where necessary.

Work with TEL to digitise the older Trust recordings of the Scientific Meetings and other events, so that they can be to be made available to both students and staff members of the Trust

Library Services will support staff in the development and delivery of their teaching, both online and in the classroom, by providing access to Reading Lists

#### **ACTIONS**

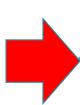
- As a member of the Digital Academy Working Group the library will learn how to use the software and be involved in the production of courses where applicable
- Work with TEL to develop a framework for future investment in the Library's Collection of Trust multimedia resources to support teaching and clinical work.
- Will continue to provide electronic reading lists on Key Links and to participate in the development of this software with CLA/Kortex
- Continue to Increase the proportion of course materials delivered in digital format. Now at 96%

#### **OUTCOMES**

As well involvement in ecourses, the library will be able to use the software to develop I' skills courses

A good collection of Audio Visual material much of it recorded here - Scientific meetings etc.

An excellent reading list service with at least 96% access to full-text.



The Library will continue to invest in the development of the collections in appropriate formats; to provide access to the materials required by all users and to provide the means for all users to identify and access the materials they require.

#### ACTIONS

- Acquire and provide access to materials, as appropriate, required for academic and clinical use wherever possible.
- Continue to invest in E-Books for the library. Purchasing as many user licenses as possible for each book the library buys.
- Monitor the use of e-journals and bibliographic databases making appropriate cuts where underused. Also purchase new journals in liaison with clinical and academic staff.
- Continue to improve the marketing of the collections

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#### **GOAL**

The Library will work to equip all users, both staff and students (including Library staff) with the skills to navigate their way around and to use resources and new technologies. The Library will continue to develop new modes of delivering teaching.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Identify the information skills needs at the Trust: students, academic, clinical staff and non clinical staff and the preferred modes of delivery. Medium: Surveys and Feedback from I'Skills training sessions.
- Develop a suite of interactive Information Skills training packages for both electronic delivery face-toface delivery. Using Digital Academy where possible
- Continue to update the Library staff Critical Skills Framework and ensure each staff member has opportunities to gain these skills.

#### **OUTCOMES**

 Acquire lifelong Information Skills

- Users will be able to find the information they need to support their academic needs and clinical and non clinical work
- Library staff will continue to build up their professional skills to support their work at the Trust

#### **Systems**

▶ All the Trust's Library Services systems and platforms will support the Library's mission, enhance the user experience, incorporate cuttingedge technologies and give value for money.

#### **Collections**

▶ To increase the visibility of the Library's electronic collections to users.

#### **Processes**

▶ To develop processes in support of an exceptional user experience, with service improvement initiatives informed by user feedback.

# KPA 2 SYSTEMS, COLLECTIONS, AND PROCESSES

#### **Open Access**

Ensure that the Open Access Repository continues to include new types of material.

#### Koha – Management System

Review the effectiveness of Koha the Library management System continually.

#### **EBSCO Discovery Service**

To improve the end user search for information by searching library catalogue, bibliographic databases and the Open Access Repository in one go.

#### ACTIONS

- Work with Research to include more datasets in the Repository
- Continue to add to the new section of Staff Media Appearances
- Work with our support agency to update and develop the Repository
- Continue to market the Repository both internally and via social media
- Liaise with PTFS about any new developments coming on stream
- Ensure that appropriate systems updates occur regularly.
- Ensure that regular checks are carried out to confirm that any newly purchased databases have been included in the search function and that all is working properly.



A more complete database of the work of the Trust to publicise to the world on the Open Access Repository - Staff Publications.

**OUTCOMES** 



An up-to-date versatile library management system that is easy for the user to navigate and delivers the information required quickly



 A much easier subject searching mechanism for the users.

#### **Mobile Technologies**

Ensure that the Library Service maximises the potential benefits of mobile technologies.

#### Reading lists

Ensure that Reading lists continue to be relevant and an appropriate length.

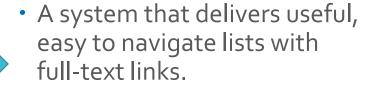
Continue to influence the improvements on the KeyLinks software

#### **ACTIONS**

- Conduct user experience research to ensure that the library is maximising the benefits of mobile technologies.
- Work with tutors and the Learning and Teaching Committee and CLA/Kortex to achieve this

#### **OUTCOMES**

- Existing services improved for mobile users;
- New mobile-friendly services introduced.





#### **Library Website**

Review the effectiveness of the library website with a view to revamping it

#### **ACTIONS**

- Look at current usage statistics of all sections
- Survey users to see what they need
- Look at other University and NHS Library Websites

#### **OUTCOMES**

 An attractive, clean, relevant and easy to navigate website adhering to the new Public Sector accessibility legislation

#### **Journal Collection**

Ensure that the collection is kept relevant and encourage staff to make new suggestions

#### **E-Books Collections**

Easy access to the collections is paramount as we subscribe to various collections.

# Electronic Databases/Audio visual material

The library subscribes to all relevant resources and continuously monitors new databases coming on stream

#### **Print Book Collection**

This collection must be weeded once a year and only added to when there is no eBook available or in exceptional circumstances.

#### **ACTIONS**

#### **Journal Collections**

 Review the collection annually, analysing usage on the statistics package, taking into account the size of the departments using them. Liaise with tutors over possible cancellations.

#### E-Books Collections

 Ensure that the library website provides excellent access and that the collections are marketed in various ways.

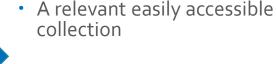
#### Electronic Databases/Audio visual material

- Monitor usage of these resources and where underused, run a marketing campaign with a view to cancellation if usage doesn't improve.
- Continue to digitise the audio visual collection with the help of TEL

#### **Print Book Collection**

 The Book Collection Policy will be updated in 2019

#### **OUTCOMES**





 A well used, easily accessible collection that supports user needs



- Excellent, relevant, well used resources to support user needs
- This will contain mostly unique materials.



 A smaller collection that will eventually complement the e-book collection.

#### **User Feedback**

Ensure that the library knows exactly what the users need.

#### **KPIs**

Design and implement processes for monitoring and publishing the Library's performance against agreed standards and KPIs.

#### Skills Development

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#### **ACTIONS**

- Put various feedback methods in place
- These must be captured and considered at Library Team meetings
- KPIs are defined and performance monitored
- Information Skills training will continue to be embedded into the curriculum and also offered to academic and clinical staff.
- The I 'Skills trainer will identify new but relevant training methods in collaboration with other academic/NHS library trainers
- Library staff to identify CPD courses, conferences, webinars etc that will enhance their skills.

#### **OUTCOMES**



User experience will be excellent



 KPIs will have been established with a view to measuring outcomes and impacts.



- Library staff will continue to build up their professional skills to support their work at the Trust
- Acquire a lifelong skill Information Skills
- Users will be able to find the information they need to support their academic needs and clinical and non clinical work

The Library aims to widen participation in its service in various ways, both internally and externally. As well as marketing the service to try and attract more external members and promote the work of the Trust the library must ensure that the service is inclusive and relevant in terms of equality and diversity

The staff recognise that as the library is a unique specialist resource in the Psychological Therapies there is the potential to market it to external researchers, NHS Trusts, and other organisations.

There is also a need to continue to promote the service within the Trust in order to showcase new and existing services.

# KPA3 WIDENING PARTICIPATION, EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

#### External membership of the Library

Increase the external membership of the library in order to increase income and promote the work of the Trust.

#### Web Presence

Review the effectiveness of the library website with a view to revamping it

#### **ACTIONS**

- Re-establish the practice of issuing an invitation to join the library at Conferences and Workshops held at the Trust.
- Increase the promotional activity for student leavers.
- Work with the Conference Department to ensure that the library has a presence at any Conferences or exhibitions at which the Trust exhibits.
- Use social media to advertise our services
- Continue to promote our corporate membership packages
- Look at current usage statistics of all sections
- Survey users to see what they need
- Look at other University Library Websites

#### **OUTCOMES**

More external individual and corporate members and an increase in income

> An attractive, clean, relevant and easy to navigate website

#### **Equality and Diversity**

Ensure that the library continues to promote Equality and diversity on the library website, in reading lists and within the library book and journal collections

#### Patients access to the library services

Ensure that patients have some sort of access to our Library services. Liaise with key clinical staff to try and further this development.

#### Marketing the Library

#### **ACTIONS**

- Continue to create various web resources for Race, Class, LGBT+, Disability etc.
- Continue to create specialist reading lists for equality and diversity
- Ensure that the Book and Journal collection is inclusive
- Revisit the Patient web page
- Pilot the availability, to a small group of patients, of the library's electronic resources.





Well balanced collections and website resources in terms of inclusivity.



A good experience for current users and a good marketing tool for the library, thus promoting the Trust's work.

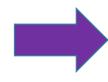
#### Marketing the Library

Continue to develop the way the library promotes services.

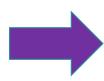
#### **ACTIONS**

- Use the Library Marketing Team's policies to promote new and existing library services both within the Trust and externally.
- Use social media, videos and high quality print material to market services within the Trust and externally.
- Promote the library more generally, for example the **Open Access Repository**

#### **OUTCOMES**



Well balanced collections and website resources in terms of inclusivity.



Ensures the comprehensive library resources are exploited by the users in order to further their clinical work or academic studies.

Gives the library a higher profile both within the Trust and externally.

▶ The work of the Library is important to the Trust's reputation for excellence in research. Research is a growing area in the Trust and the Library must support growth. During the strategy period we will work to improve facilities, the way we develop and provide access to our collections, the communication between researchers and the library and guidance in information skills. The Library will also promote the skills that library staff can contribute to the Trust's research activity.

# KPA4 RESEARCH

#### Research

Ensure that the library understands and supports the Research work of the Trust.

To develop and maintain the Tavistock and Portman Online Staff Publications collection and ensure that it is kept up-to-date so that the Trust's work is showcased to the world.

Library staff will continue to offer their considerable expertise to support the research going on in the Trust

#### **ACTIONS**

- Ensure that the Library liaises with Research to identify all of the research work of the Trust.
   Maybe create a library webpage to this effect
- Library to liaise with Research to promote the research that is being is being carried out.
- Continue to work with our support company E-Prints to develop Staff Publications Online
- Find additional ways to publicise Staff Publications Online both internally and externally
- Increase the I' Skills training offered to those undertaking research.
- Ensure that the research areas of the book collections, both electronic and print, are relevant and current

#### **OUTCOMES**



The library will have a better understanding of the research programme and will then be able to support it more effectively



Provides a platform for all the Trust's published work and the means to publicise it globally



Research will continue to be supported in various ways, particularly relating to I' Skills

KPA4 Research

It is important that the Ibrary is adequately funded and the Head of Library and Information Services should ensure that this is the case and that relevant, external funds are identified for bidding purposes where appropriate. The library should engage in whatever income generation schemes are appropriate. Given that the library will probably have to make more cuts over the next three years, some hard decisions will have to be made with regard to the resources and services that the library provides.

A robust statistical package should be in place to ensure the library can collect accurate usage statistics for all its resources

# KPA 5 FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Budget Management**

To manage the budget efficiently so there is no big underspend or an overspend

#### **Income Generation**

Liaise with DET to devise more income generation schemes as well as the library marketing services to leavers and other possible membership purchasers.

#### Management Information

Decisions need to be made about which resources should be kept or disposed of every year so processes need to be introduced to achieve this.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Librarian should keep good worksheets of all expenditure lines of the budget during the financial year, so that efficient predictions can be given, to finance, of the needs for the following year
- Use the budget spreadsheet to workout the cost per student/member for books, journals, databases etc.
- Continue to promote our corporate membership packages
- Identify new areas of income generation
- Use Redlink to analyse usage of all resources in order to prevent wasting money on unused resources





The budget will be monitored carefully and be able to show costs per resource per member and effective predictions for the following year can be established.



New income will mean additional money for the Trust



The library budget will be used sensibly and money recouped from unused resources can be ploughed back into the service

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► The Library's physical environment is of great importance and must be able to compete with other HE and NHS Libraries and meet the constantly evolving needs of all users. The Library Service aims to provide innovative and inspiring teaching, learning and social spaces to support needs for study space and new flexible spaces. This would include suitable flexible space for specialist staff to deliver information skills training in addition to the Trust training suite. The Library should play a central part in the Trust's identity as a world-leading institution in the field of the Psychological Therapies and be a source of pride for both students and staff.

# **KPA 6 SPACE MANAGEMENT**

#### Realising a vision

Ensure that library plays a huge part in the design of the new Library if the Trust decides to relocate in the next few years or extent the present site

#### Adapting space for changing needs

Users need a variety of learning spaces, and the Library will need to be more able to support flexible modes of studying in flexible spaces..

#### **Maintaining Quality**

In the mean time in order to maintain a high quality service the library environment must continue to be relevant to users needs and to be a welcoming and appealing space for users.

#### Space outside the Library

In order to maintain a high quality service the library will need to seek space in other parts of the building, particularly in terms of computer spaces for use when the library is closed.

Also ensure that the IT training facilities are increased as they are woefully inadequate at the moment.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Librarian to continue to liaise with key Trust staff to ensure that the new library is at the cutting edge of both design and IT, taking into account that in the next three years there will be major changes in the way libraries function, so designs and plans will be constantly updated.
- Continue to work with estates to improve and tweak the existing library space in line with user and library staff requirements
- Monitor health and safety requirements. Ensure that there are appropriate levels of lighting and climatic controls are available and that guiding and signs are clear and helpful.
- Liaise with the Academic Quality
   Department to try and facilitate another computer cluster area in the building.
   Liaise with Estates and IT with a view to increasing the number of IT training spaces considerably.

#### **OUTCOMES**



A modern, state of the art, relevant, attractive library space.



Ensures the library space is as useful to users that it can be, given the space limitations.



A well maintained, safe library environment.



Users would have access to PCs when the library is closed and also well equipped training areas. ► The Tavistock library staff, who are key enablers of this strategy, are committed to providing excellent services that are equally accessible to all users of our physical and online resources. Investment in library staff is pivotal to the delivery of all our services, both in terms of training and an adequate, innovative and relevant staffing establishment.

## **KPA7 LIBRARY STAFFING**

#### Skills

Ensure that there is a good training programme that will equip all our staff with the relevant skills and acumen.

#### Critical Skills Framework

Ensure that the Training manual is updated regularly and that a timetable is developed to cover all the training. Not everyone does everything and so the training will be given to whoever needs those skills to do their job and then staff will work through the **Refresher Training** which gives everyone an overview of all that goes on in the library.

#### Other more specialist training

Staff will also be required to go on external courses and to undertake webinars etc. and they should be responsible for identifying these courses along with their line managers

Ensure that staff are knowledgeable about diversity and related issues.

#### **ACTIONS**

- Ensure that the Critical Skills Framework is updated and kept relevant
- Identify dates and times when training will take place i.e. training days and at fortnightly staff meetings
- All staff will be involved in giving and receiving training
- Ensure that at least two CPD courses are identified at the annual appraisal of staff
- Self learning is a paramount part of our training programmes
- Attend relevant training courses on equality and diversity related issues, including issues relating to race, gender, sexual orientation and disability
- The I'Skills trainer will be expected to become a Fellow of HEA

#### **OUTCOMES**



That there is a proper training manual for staff that is updated regularly.



A well qualified team who keep abreast of new developments and innovations.



Staff will be knowledgeable in certain areas relating to the work of the library and the Trust



Our trainer will have a recognised Higher Education teaching qualification.