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Introduction

You may be researching teams and team working as part of a programme of professional or personal development, or as part of a university course. You may be part of a work or project team and want to read around the topic. This guide gives a very brief introduction to working in teams and points you to resources you can use now to find more information. Some resources require an OpenAthens account. In addition some web sites require free registration. These are indicated in the guide.

Quick Guide to Resources for Working in Teams

A team is defined “as two or more people working together for a common purpose”. The websites in this guide provide brief practical advice on building, managing and working in teams. Working with others forms part of the NHS Leadership Framework and includes a section (2.4) on Working in Teams. The Journal Articles and Working Papers provide an analysis of different aspects of team working using published research, looking at the role of training, leadership and what makes an effective team. The eBooks provide a complete overview of team work, including virtual teams, teams that communicate using computers and networks without meeting face-to-face.
Resources: Web sites

businessballs.com Team briefing.
A systematic face-to-face model for disseminating information through teams.
[ http://businessballs.com/teambriefing.htm ]

Free Management Library. Team Building.
Collection of links from across the web on teams and team building.
[ http://managementhelp.org/groups/team-building.htm ]

Management Study Guides (MSG). Team Building.
Brief summaries of key aspects of team working and team building.
[ http://www.managementstudyguide.com/understanding-team.htm ]

MindTools. Team Management Skills.
Tools and techniques for creating more effective teams.
[ http://www.mindtools.com/pages/main/newMN_TMM.htm ] Some material is only available to subscribers.

NHS Leadership Framework. 2.0 Working with others.
Part of the NHS Leadership Framework deals with Working in Teams (2.4).

Resources: Journal Articles and Working Papers


Resources: eBooks


*Requires an OpenAthens Account.

Resources: NWAS LIS Website

Visit the NWAS LIS web pages for more information on the resources available to you, or e-mail your Librarian, Matt Holland [Matt.Holland@nwas.nhs.uk] for help.