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Articles

The following journal articles are available from the Library and Knowledge Service electronically or in print. Please follow links to access full text online, contact me to order copies, or call into your nearest library.

**Corticosteroids for pneumonia.**
Stern A. *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews* 2017;(12):CD007720.
[Corticosteroid therapy reduced mortality and morbidity in adults with severe community-acquired pneumonia (CAP); the number needed to treat for an additional beneficial outcome was 18 patients (95% CI 12 to 49) to prevent one death. Corticosteroid therapy reduced morbidity, but not mortality, for adults and children with non-severe CAP. Corticosteroid therapy was associated with more adverse events, especially hyperglycaemia, but the harms did not seem to outweigh the benefits.]
Freely available online

**Creating an appropriate environment for a person with dementia.**
[The article discusses the creation of environments designed for people with dementia, particularly in medical care facilities. Topics include the assessment of multisensory environments (MSEs), the relation of hospital acute care environments to people with dementia, and safety aspects of environments for people with dementia.]
Available with an NHS OpenAthens password for eligible users

**Low adherence to antidepressants is associated with increased mortality in Parkinson disease patients.**
Shoval G. *Parkinsonism & Related Disorders* 2017;43:92-96.
[Findings from this study by researchers from South London and Maudsley Trust and elsewhere suggest that poor adherence to AD is associated with increased all-cause mortality in people with PD. Given the high prevalence of depression and AD effectiveness, efforts to promote adherence should be prioritized in clinical practice.]
Contact the library for a copy of this article

**Recognising and assessing care needs in patients with dementia: the three Ds.**
[The article discusses the screen and identification of dementia, delirium, and depression in older people admitted to an acute nursing ward. It covers symptoms of each condition related to topics such as memory, mental awareness, and emotional well-be]

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**Books**

*New book(s) from the Library and Knowledge Service. Call into your nearest library or contact me for more information.*

**Life after brain injury: survivors' stories.**
Wilson BA. Psychology Press. 2014. Library Shelf Location: WL 354 WIL.
[Includes illustrated personal accounts of people who have survived brain injury along with professional therapists’ reports of their progress through rehabilitation. The book demonstrates that rehabilitation is a collaborative process, presenting practical approaches to helping survivors achieve functionally relevant and meaningful goals. ]

*Available with appropriate registration or membership*

**Guidelines**

*The following new guidance has recently been published:*

**Healthcare-associated pneumonia (HAP).**
[The Antimicrobial Stewardship Group with the support of the Respiratory team have developed an updated guideline for the empiric treatment of healthcare-associated pneumonia (HAP) in adults. Tazocin is no longer recommended for 1st line empiric treatment of HAP and instead the guideline is to use temocillin and amoxicillin. Full guidelines can be found on the Microguide App and web portal.]

*Available from NHS PCs*

**Websites**

*The following website(s) may be of interest:*

**Multidisciplinary Team Education on Ageing (MDTea) Episode 4.10 - BPSD – Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia.**
[This MDTea podcast looks at how dementia can lead to behaviours which may seem challenging or disturbing, how to assess behaviours that challenge to identify a cause, to feel more confident engaging with people suffering with cognitive impairment to de-escalate situations, and to know when to use medication and when not to. It also discusses how to engage families and carers in conversation about why these behaviours could be happening. ]

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