

# TRFT Library & Knowledge Service

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## Focus on Travel Health for Practice Nurses

Do you need evidence based information? Do you need help finding good quality information for patients? Are you looking for a journal article? or Would you like to learn how to search for information? The **Library & Knowledge Service** can help you....

We offer a wide range of services to **practice nurses** including literature searching to find the best available evidence and information skills training to learn how to access databases such as MEDLINE and CINAHL and find electronic articles and books. We can help you find good quality information for patients and we can keep you up-to-date with the latest developments in health with our current awareness service. You also have access to our library resources, we have collections of books, journals and health education resources at Rotherham Hospital, RCHC and Oak House. You can search our catalogue and we can send items out to you.

Contact us on 01709 422096 or e-mail [knowledge.service@rothgen.nhs.uk](mailto:knowledge.service@rothgen.nhs.uk)

Visit our website [www.rotherhamhospital.nhs.uk/lks](http://www.rotherhamhospital.nhs.uk/lks)

At this time of year many patients will be looking for travel advice. We have put together an information sheet with evidence based resources which you may find useful.

### Travel Immunisations

**National Travel Health Network and Centre** – provides travel health information for each country of the world

<http://www.nathnac.org/pro/index.htm>

#### Advice line for health professionals

Telephone: +44 (0)845 602 6712 (local call rate)

Monday to Friday: 08.30 - 11.45

13.00 - 15.15

(closed on Bank Holidays)

#### Immunisation Against Infectious Disease: the green book

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisation/s/public-health-england/series/immunisation-against-infectious-disease-the-green-book>

#### Clinical Knowledge Summary – Immunizations

– travel, August 2012

<http://cks.nice.org.uk/immunizations-travel#azTab>

### Malaria Advice

#### HPA Malaria Reference Laboratory

Guidelines for malaria prevention in travellers from the UK

[www.malaria-reference.co.uk](http://www.malaria-reference.co.uk)

### Guidance for Health Professionals

#### Travel health nursing:

career and competence development

RCN guidance, 2012

[http://www.rcn.org.uk/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/78747/003146.pdf](http://www.rcn.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/78747/003146.pdf)

#### Focus on Travel Immunisations –guidance for GPs

BMA, 2012

<http://bma.org.uk/practical-support-at-work/doctors-as-managers/managing-your-practice/focus-travel-immunisation>

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## Information resources for patients

### Travel Health information

NHS Choices

<http://www.nhs.uk/LiveWell/TravelHealth/Pages/Travelhealthhome.aspx>

### Travel Vaccination Information

<http://www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/destinations.aspx>

### Accessing Healthcare Abroad

<http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Healthcareabroad/Pages/Healthcareabroad.aspx>

### Foreign Travel Advice

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>

## Example of Articles for Health Professionals

**Is this patient fit to travel?** Gawthrop, M. in Practice Nurse, Apr 2010, vol. 39, no. 7, p. 35-39, 0953-6612 (April 9, 2010). The role for practice nurses in increasing awareness of travel risks for people with pre-existing illness and advising on changes or cancellation of travel plans when risks are too great. Preparations for travel including risk assessments, insurance and information on travelling with a medical condition are described. Particular risks and limitations associated with malaria and infectious diseases are discussed. Available from EBSCOhost in [Practice Nurse](#)

**Duty of care, part 1: the pre-travel consultation.** Grieve, S in Practice Nursing, Jun 2011, vol. 22, no. 6, p. 298-303, 0964-9271 (June 2011). Travel Health Clinic series. Practice nurse's role in the pre-travel consultation, including duty of care, accountability and legal issues. Consultation skills, content and style of the pre-travel consultation and the value of using Lasswell's communication model as a framework are discussed. Available from EBSCOhost in [Practice Nursing](#)

**Duty of care, part 2: best practice and assessment.** Gawthrop, M in Practice Nursing, Jul 2011, vol. 22, no. 7, p. 353-356, 0964-9271 (July 2011). Travel Health Clinic series. Practice nurse risk assessment of patients travelling abroad, highlighting current guidance and best practice, including the RCN's competency framework. The need for travel insurance and increased risks for last minute travellers are discussed. Patients' responsibility to provide full information about their trip is highlighted. Available from EBSCOhost in [Practice Nursing](#)

**Travel health update.** Chiodini, Jane in Practice Nurse, Feb 2012, vol. 42, no. 3, p. 30., 0953-6612 (February 24, 2012) Guidance for general practice concerning charges for travel vaccines. Immunisations which must be given as part of NHS provision, that which cannot and vaccines which can either be an NHS or a private service are described. Available from EBSCOhost in [Practice Nurse](#)

Above are some examples of articles available on travel health. To access the articles you will need to register for an Athens username and password at <https://register.athensams.net/nhs/nhseng/> or contact us for the full text or a comprehensive literature search.

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