

How to use Social Care Online

This guide is for Middlesex University Social Work students. It aims to guide students in the use of the database Social Care Online.

Social Care Online is freely available: <http://www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk/>

Social Care Online is a database that helps you to identify **references** to journal articles on aspects of social care. The database will **NOT** usually connect you to **full text** articles. It is a tool for finding the articles and knowledge base from over 80,000 sources

Getting started

Social Care Online is accompanied by help pages selected from the menu bar at the top of the home page. You can also access an interactive tutorial (with sound) to guide you from this link: <http://www.scie-socialcareonline.org.uk/help/tutorials/overview.htm>

A simple search

Use this search for phrases or single words.

Simple search ?

Enter a single word OR a phrase

Search

Click here for **help with simple searching**.
Click here for **intermediate search** or **advanced search**.

Hot topics ?

- children
- user participation
- older people
- social work theories
- social care provision
- assessment
- looked after children

This search is quick and easy to use you should see your results straight away. You may want to use some of the other ways of searching to be sure you haven't missed anything.

Browse Social Care Topics

Browse headings for defined terms. Select a term

Browse topics

< Back Expand All

- social care services (1) **RSS**
- + adoption (1965) **RSS**
- adult protection (250) **RSS**
- + after care (1280) **RSS**
- + child protection services (3837) **RSS**
- Childrens Trusts (78) **RSS**
- + community care (6157) **RSS**
- + counselling (2637) **RSS**
- + day care (1086) **RSS**

Combine topics

"assertive outreach" AND "social care provision"

You can combine terms to create a more effective search

Intermediate Search - Recommended

Use combinations of AND, OR, NOT for more refined searching

Using the intermediate search you can put together different topics using AND, OR and NOT. The help option provides more detail on how to use these terms.

Your Results

To read the abstract and view any full text click on the link

Select the results you want to email or export to Refworks

Limiting Your Results Further

Click here to show limits

Select appropriate limits and click apply

If an article is unavailable as full text ask at the library. Articles can be obtained through the inter library loans service