

# Current Evidence: Setting up Email Alerts

## Discovery

A collection of all the resources the Library provides for each Trust. You can search content with a keyword or topic, and specify relevance (e.g. by type of content or publication, date, language, geographical location).

**The Email Alert Service** sends you results that match your specific search (e.g. bibliographic references, links to full-text\* articles and e-books).

### What do I need?

- NHS OpenAthens\* account (see Library Website), **then**
- EBSCOhost personal account (see <https://auth.ebsco.zone/api/oidcprovider/>)

(1) To access Discovery, click the button 'Search our resources'.at the Library Website <http://www.hantshealthcarelibrary.nhs.uk/>

(2) Conduct your search and view your results.

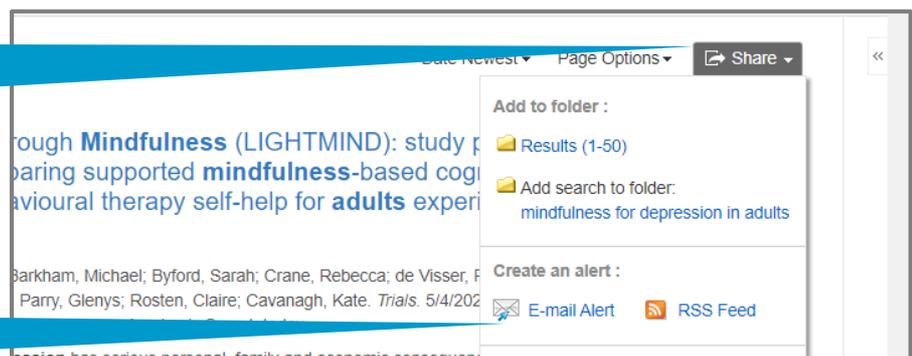
There are TWO ways of setting up an alert:

- (A) From the link 'Share' (**see steps 3-6**).
- (B) From the link 'Search History' (**see steps 7-12**).

### (A) From the link 'Share'

(3) Click the link 'Share'.  
(This pop-up box appears).

(4) Click 'E-mail Alert'.



The pop-up box 'Create Alert' appears (see below). If you have not already signed into your 'My EBSCOhost folder', you will need to set up and be signed into a personal account. Do this if you see the following text:

**'Email** (You must sign in to send email alerts. [Sign In](#))'

**(5) Make selections:**

The text you type here appears in the subject line of your email with the alert results.

If required, type a different email address.

Type your email address to receive the alerts.

**Frequency** – how often you receive results.

**Results format** – how the alert results appear.

**Articles published within the last** - a limit keeps results current & manageable.

**(6) Click 'Save Alert'.**

To view all available options, click 'Advanced Settings'.

## (B) From the link 'Search History'

(7) Click 'Search History'.

(8) Click 'Save Searches / Alerts'.

A new screen appears, called 'Folder List'.

(9) Make selections:

Type a name for the results of your email alert.

This is copy of your search strategy (cannot be changed here).

#	Query	Limiters/Expanders	Last Run Via	Results	Action
S6	mindfulness for anxiety in adults	Limiters - Full Text; Date Published: 20150101-20201231 Expanders - Also search within the full text of the articles; Apply equivalent subjects Narrow by SubjectGeographic: - england Narrow by Language: - english Search modes - Find all my search terms	Interface - EBSCO Discovery Service Search Screen - Basic Search Database - Search library catalogue; Search Journal articles	66	<a href="#">Edit</a>

(10) Click the button 'Alert'.

(11) The screen changes again. Make selections. Your search terms ('Query') and how often you receive results ('Frequency') are already set to appear in the results of your alert.

(12) Click 'Save'.

## To VIEW, EDIT, RUN or DELETE a Search Alert:

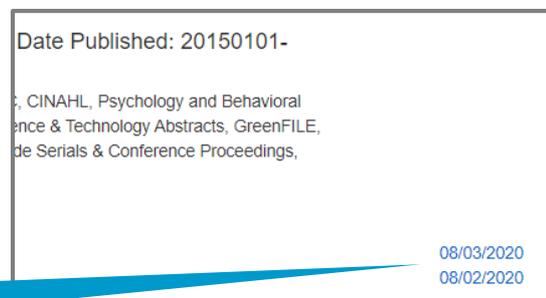
(1) Click the 'Folder' icon.

(2) Go to the relevant section below.



## To VIEW the results of a Search Alert

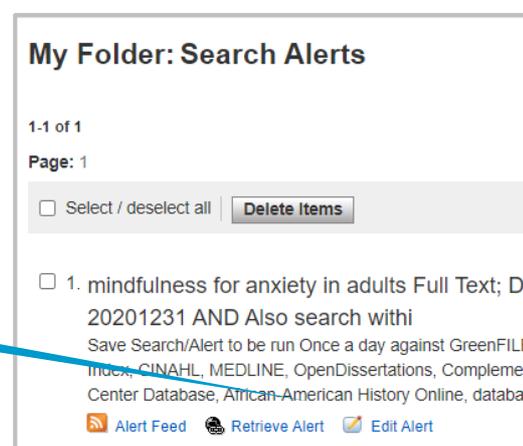
(1) Click the date of the alert you wish to see the results of.



## To EDIT a Search Alert

(1) Click 'Edit Alert'.

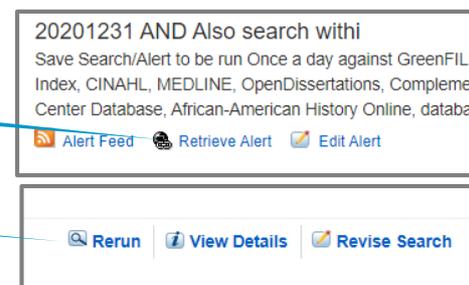
(2) After making changes, click 'Save'.



## To RUN a Search Alert immediately

(1) Click 'Retrieve Alert'.

(2) Click 'Rerun'.



## To DELETE a Search Alert

(1) Click on the box next to the alert to be deleted.

(2) Click the button 'Delete Items'.

- To set up an email alert, you must be logged in to both your NHS OpenAthens account, and your EBSCOhost personal account.
- Results from your search alert appear in the way you sorted the selection in your original search (i.e. by 'relevance', 'date newest', or 'date oldest').
- Only the creator of the alert can stop the alert from being sent.
- To suspend receiving an email alert, leave the box 'Email to', blank.
- If an article or book is difficult to obtain, tell us – we can find it for you!