

NHS Service Finder

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NHS Service Finder is a free to use web-based search tool, provided by NHS Digital. It is designed to help facilitate conversations between Health Care Professionals by making it easier to find reliable information about healthcare services. It is available to all who are involved in delivering patient care.

There are two offers

1. The first offer (NHS Service Finder) is aimed specifically at Clinicians. It uniquely has the ability to be searched using clinical terminologies and/or by type of service. This search function is aimed to enhance a Clinician's ability to find a service and in turn facilitate Clinician to Clinician dialogue, for advice and guidance about a patient's care which may lead to a patient referral (if appropriate).
2. The second offer (NHS Service Finder Beta) is aimed at all Health Care Professionals, which allows you to search for a service based on the type of service e.g. Pharmacy, Urgent Treatment Centre, GP In Hours or GP Out of Hours.

Why should I use NHS Service Finder?

All the information on NHS Service Finder is quality assured, updated regularly and includes information (such as non-public phone numbers to services) that you will never find using other web-based search tools.

The vast majority of the information on NHS Service Finder comes via the Directory of Services (DoS). The DoS is historically associated with NHS 111 and in the past few years, has had its remit actively widened to include all of Urgent and Emergency Care (UEC) by supporting important products such as NHS Service Finder.

In addition to information from the DoS, some service information comes from NHS.uk (formerly known as NHS Choices).

How can I get access to NHS Service Finder or further information?

Registering for an account for NHS Service Finder can be completed via the following address: <https://www.pathwaysdos.nhs.uk/app/controllers/login/requestNewAccount.php>

For colleagues in the North West of England, if you need any help registering or want further information (including demonstrations at your own organisation) please contact:

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