Quick Guide To
NHS OpenAthens

What is NHS OpenAthens?

- **OpenAthens** is the brand name of a system that controls **access to online resources** your organisation has purchased, such as e-journals and databases.
- You will need a **free account** to access all the online resources that are available to you.

Who can have an NHS OpenAthens account?

All **NHS staff and students** can register for an NHS OpenAthens account. You can check if you are eligible here **https://www.nice.org.uk/library-and-knowledge-services/openathens/openathens-eligibility**.
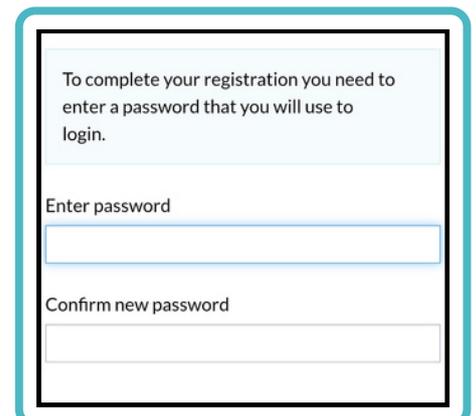
How do I get an account?

You can self-register by going to **https://openathens.nice.org.uk/** or scan the QR code.

To help with the approval process:
- Please register **using a Trust computer/laptop**
- Please use a **work email**

What happens next?

Once your account has been approved you will receive an email with an activation link. Click the link to create a password.

> To complete your registration you need to enter a password that you will use to login.
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> Enter password
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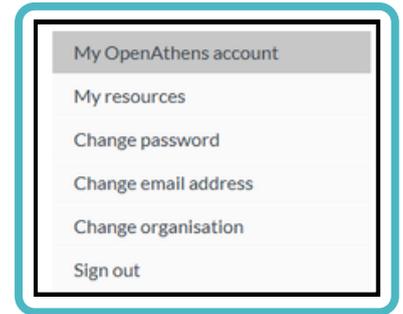> Confirm new password

How long can I have the account?

Your NHS OpenAthens account stays with you throughout your NHS career. You will receive an email every two years, asking if you want to renew your account. Follow the instructions in that email to extend the use of your account for a further 2 years.

How do I change my details?

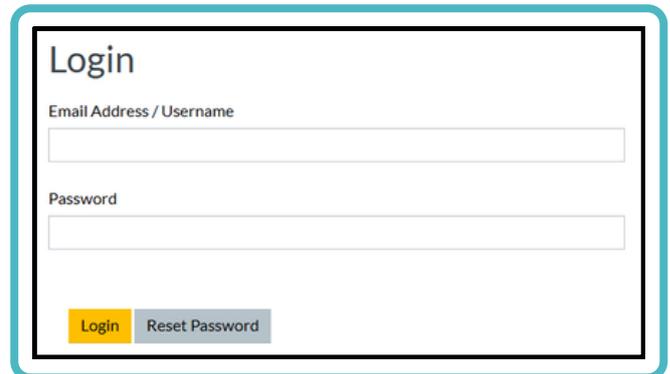If you need to change your email, password or organisation it is now possible for you to do this. Log in to your NHS OpenAthens account **https://openathens.nice.org.uk/Auth/Login**.

Simply select the option, on the left of the page, that you want to change.

My OpenAthens account
My resources
Change password
Change email address
Change organisation
Sign out

What if I forget my log in details?

Click the link above. Click on **Reset Password** and follow the instructions.

Login
Email Address / Username
Password
Login   Reset Password

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