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(locations of the main libraries inside)

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Locations of the main NHS-funded libraries

- **AMERSHAM**
  - Amersham Hospital, HP7 0JD
    - 01494 734000
  - Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot, SL5 8AA
    - 01344 877574

- **AYLESBURY**
  - Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury, HP2 1BAL
    - 01296 315428
  - Tiddal Centre, Aylesbury, HP20 1HU
    - 01296 565461

- **BANBURY**
  - Horton Hospital, Banbury, OX16 9AL
    - 01295 229316

- **BASINGSTOKE**
  - Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital, Basingstoke, RG24 9NA
    - 01256 313169

- **FAREHAM**
  - Ravenswood House, Fareham, PO17 5NA
    - 01329 836115

- **HIGH WYCOCME**
  - Wycombe Hospital, High Wycombe, HP11 2TT
    - 01494 426364

- **ISLE OF WIGHT**
  - St Mary’s Hospital, Newport, PO30 5TG
    - 01983 534519

- **LYMEINTON**
  - Lymeinton New Forest Hospital, SO41 8QD
    - 07766 731546

- **MILTON KEYNES**
  - Milton Keynes Hospital, Mk6 5LD
    - 01908 243077

- **OXFORD**
  - John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, OX3 9DU
    - 01865 221936
  - Knowledge Centre, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, OX3 7DQ
    - 01865 225815
  - Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre, Oxford, OX3 7LD
    - 01865 738147
  - Warneford Hospital, Oxford, OX3 7JX
    - 01865 222626
  - Littlemore Mental Health Centre, Oxford, OX4 4ON
    - 0845 2191134
  - Slade House, Horspath Driftway, Oxford, OX3 7JH
    - 01865 221959

- **PORTSMOUTH**
  - Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth, PO6 3LY
    - 023 9228 6039
  - St Mary’s Hospital, Portsmouth, PO3 6AD
    - 023 9286 6376

- **READING**
  - Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, RG1 5AN
    - 0118 322 7849
  - Prospect Park Hospital, Reading, RG30 4EJ
    - 0118 960 5012

- **SLOUGH**
  - Wexham Park Hospital, Slough, SL2 4HL
    - 01753 634857

- **SOUTHERAM**
  - Southampton General Hospital, Southampton, SO16 6YD
    - 023 8079 6541
  - Royal South Hants Hospital, Southampton SO14 0YG
    - 023 8082 5714
  - Moorgreen Hospital, Southampton, SO30 3JB
    - 023 8047 5154
  - Tatchbury Mount, Calmore, Southampton, SO40 2RZ
    - 023 8087 4231

- **WINCHESTER**
  - Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, SO22 5DG
    - 01962 824420

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1. This list excludes some of the smaller resource centres. If you are unsure about which library will best meet your needs, contact any of the libraries for advice.

2. These are University-managed libraries, and not part of SWIMS: please contact them directly for membership and holdings information.