

# Nursing Research Tools

## Databases available through R.A. Williams Library

**CINAHL** is the authoritative resource for nursing and allied health professionals, students, educators and researchers. This database provides indexing for 2,931 journals from the fields of nursing and allied health. The database contains more than 1,000,000 records dating back to 1981.

**OVID Evidence Based Medicine Reviews.** This is a multifile database that allows you to search simultaneously Cochrane ACP Journal Club, CCTR, Database of Systematic Reviews, and DARE. You can also search each database individually by choosing the OVID link then the specific database.

### Databases included:

**ACP Journal Club.** (ACP) Consists of 2 journals, ACP Journal Club, a publication of the American College of Physicians, and Evidence-Based Medicine, a joint publication of the American College of Physicians and the British Medical Journal Group.

**CCTR** (formerly Cochrane Controlled Trials Register). This is a bibliographic database of definitive controlled trials. It is jointly produced by NLM and Reed Elsevier of Amsterdam who produce EMBASE.

**Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews** includes the full text of the regularly updated systematic reviews of the effects of healthcare prepared by The Cochrane Collaboration. Each issue contains new and updated reviews and protocols.

**Cochrane Methodology Register** is a database of studies relevant to the methods of systematic reviews of healthcare and social interventions. The database includes journal articles, book chapters, conference proceedings, conference abstracts and report of ongoing methodological research.

**Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (DARE)** is a full-text database containing critical assessments of systematic review from a variety of medical journals. Its records cover topics such as diagnosis, prevention, rehabilitation, screening and treatment.

**OVID Medline.** The Medline database using OVID interface (by Wolters Kulwer). MEDLINE® is the United States National Library of Medicine's (NLM®) premier bibliographic database providing information from the following fields: Medicine, Nursing, Veterinary medicine, Allied health, Dentistry, and Pre-clinical sciences. The MEDLINE database is the electronic counterpart of Index Medicus®, Index to Dental Literature, and the International Nursing Index.

**Proquest Nursing and Allied Health Source.** This database contains articles from over 500 journals which cover nursing and allied health. Full text available from 1986 to present.

**PubMed.** Available free from the Internet [www.pubmed.gov](http://www.pubmed.gov).

This is a service of the **U.S. National Library of Medicine** that includes over 17 million citations from MEDLINE and other life science journals for biomedical articles back to the 1950s. This is an index with some full-text articles.

**PubMed Central.** Available free from the Internet <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/>

**(PMC)** is the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) free digital archive of biomedical and life sciences journal literature. Full-text database.



## EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE RESOURCES

### Interactive EBP Tutorials

Evidence Based Practice Tutorial for Nurses (**Penn State University**)

<http://www.libraries.psu.edu/instruction/ebpt/>

5-step process for evidence-based practice (**U. of Minnesota**)

<http://www.biomed.lib.umn.edu/learn/ebp/>

Introduction to Evidence-Based Medicine (**Duke University & University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill**)

<http://www.hsl.unc.edu/Services/Tutorials/EBM/index.htm>

\*Discusses EBM, constructing a clinical question, and how to complete a literature search

Introduction to Evidence-Based Medicine (**Boston University**)

<http://medlib.bu.edu/tutorials/ebm/intro/index.cfm?loc=ebmwiki>

Searching for the Evidence Based Resources for Nursing Margaret Allen, PowerPoint presentation

[http://nahrs.library.kent.edu/resource/symposium/Allen2\\_files/frame.html](http://nahrs.library.kent.edu/resource/symposium/Allen2_files/frame.html)

### Evidence Based Nursing Journals (not a comprehensive list)

AANA Journal

Advances in Nursing Science

AORN Journal

Applied Nursing Research

Biological Research for Nursing

Clinical Nursing Research

EBN Online: Evidence Based Nursing

Journal of Nursing Scholarship

Nursing Research

Nursing Science Quarterly

Oncology Nursing Forum

Research in Nursing and Health

Western Journal of Nursing Research

Worldviews on Evidence Based Nursing

### Websites

**Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality** <http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/epcix.htm>

Has a section on Evidence-Based Practice.

**Joanna Briggs Institute** Australia [www.joannabriggs.edu.au/consumer](http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au/consumer)

Provides access to evidence-based information and a range of publications, online services, and education and training programs.

**National Guideline Clearinghouse** <http://www.guideline.gov/>

Public resource for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines. NGC is an initiative of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).

**Netting the Evidence** <http://www.shef.ac.uk/~scharr/ir/netting/>

This is the most comprehensive site to date on "Introduction to Evidence Based Practice on the Internet," listing hundreds of websites and resources on the topic of evidence-based practice. Websites are arranged into eight categories, including library, searching, appraising, implementing, software, journals, databases, and organizations.

### EBP Journal References:

AACN Clinical Issues: Advanced Practice in Acute & Critical Care Nov 2001 >>The whole issue discusses evidence-based nursing and evidence-based practice.

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