Searching PubMed for Evidence-Based Medicine Articles

Must access via the Columbus State Library website:
library.cscc.edu > Find Books & More > Databases > PubMed

The Search Process

☑ Step 1
PubMed starts on a basic search screen.
Start by typing your keywords or terms into the search bar and click Search.

☑ Step 2
To limit the results to Evidence-Based Medicine articles, under Article Types, click Customize, select the following article types and click Show:
- Clinical Study
- Clinical Trial
- Comparative Study
- Controlled Clinical Trial
- Evaluation Study
- Meta-Analysis
- Multicenter Study
- Pragmatic Clinical Trial
- Randomized Controlled Trial
- Systematic Review
- Twin Study
- Validation Study

After clicking Show, you must then click on each of the article types to apply them to the search results.

☑ Step 3
To limit the Publication Date, use the preset limiters or set a custom range.

☑ Step 4
To limit the results to Nursing Journals, click Show additional filters, select Journal Categories and click Show.

Under the new filter, Journal Categories, select Nursing journals.

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☐ Step 5
Under the Sort By dropdown menu, select Best Match, to ensure the returned results better fit your search criteria and selected filters.

☐ Step 6
Click on the title of an article to view the detailed record, including: author information, abstract, publication type, and journal information.

All information required for the citation can be found in the Detailed Record.

☐ Step 7
Click on the Article Title then click the Journal Title (located at the top of the detailed record, above the article title) >> Search in NLM Catalog to verify a study or article’s country of publication.

PubMed catalogs articles and journals from across the globe.

✍ Note
You will need to confirm if an article is Peer Reviewed by checking the individual journal’s editorial process,

The peer review criteria and reviewer or referee qualifications vary depending on the journal.

If you find an article that does not have full text availability, contact a Reference Librarian.