ESSENTIAL Nursing Resources

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THE 24TH EDITION *of the ICIRN Essential Nursing Resources list (formerly Essential Nursing References) is presented as a resource for locating nursing information and for collection development.* The list includes print, multimedia, and electronic sources to support nursing practice, education, administration, and research activities. The most recent editions or websites available are included. The list was compiled to point to pathways for exploration, rather than be an end point, and to expand to multiple formats beyond traditional references. New sections in this edition are: Alerting Services/Blogs/RSS feeds (formerly Current Awareness), Consumer Health/Patient Education, Informatics, Public Health/Disaster Preparedness, and Patient Safety. Citations marked $$ indicate availability via subscription or through a library.

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META-SITES FOR NURSING INFORMATION

American Nurses Association's Nursing World Links to state nurses associations and allied nursing organizations globally. www.nursingworld.org

Canadian Nursing Index Comprehensive links to education, employment, and other resources focused on needs of Canadian nurses. www.nursingindex.com

Hardin Meta Directory's Nursing and Nursing Research University of Iowa. www.lib.uiowa.edu/hardin/md/nurs.html

Healthweb Nursing A collaborative project of the health sciences libraries of the Greater Midwest Region (GMR) of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) and of the Committee for Institutional Cooperation. www.healthweb.org/browse.cfm?subjectid=60

INTUTE: Health and Life Sciences UK gateway to high quality biomedical resources. Includes database access to resources included in NMAP, a guide to quality Internet resources in nursing, midwifery, and allied health professions. www.intute.ac.uk/

National Institute of Nursing Research ninr.nih.gov/ninr/

National League for Nursing www.nln.org

NP Central Nonprofit site dedicated to practice development, advancement, and educational support of nurse practitioners and to the promotion of accessible, quality health care to the consumer. www.npcentral.net

Nursing and Allied Health Resources Section (NAHRS), Medical Library Association Member libraries, section activities, current research. nahrs.library.kent.edu

Nursing Resources on the World Wide Web McMaster University. http://hsl.lib.mcmaster.ca/tomflem/nurses.html

Nursing Theory Page, USD Hahn School of Nursing www.sandiego.edu/academics/nursing/theory

Nursing on the Net: Health Care Resources You Can Use National Library of Medicine. http://nnlm.gov/train/nursing/sampler.html

NursingCenter Lippincott, Williams and Wilkins. Includes CE articles in full text with immediate test results and certificates; 50 nursing journals with table of contents and abstracts; databases of certification, licensure, and nursing organizations. www.nursingcenter.com

Online Journal of Issues in Nursing American Nurses Association. Example of a free, peer-reviewed, international, online publication. www.nursingworld.org/ojin/

PDA Resources & Services Yale University School of Medicine. Guide to free and licensed PDA applications for health care. www.med.yale.edu/library/technology/PDA/

Sigma Theta Tau International/Virginia Henderson Electronic Library Databases about nurse researchers and research, including abstracts of STTI and other nursing research conferences; tables of content for STTI publications *Worldviews on Evidence-Based Nursing, Journal of Nursing Scholarship,* and *Reflections on Nursing Leadership.* www.nursingsociety.org

ALERTING SERVICES/BLOGS/RSS FEEDS

RSS (Really Simple Syndication) feeds deliver headlines, journal tables of content, updates, and summaries to desktop or Web browser. Subscribe via individual publishers and aggregators.

BMJ What is RSS? How do I get a News Reader?
http:// resources.bmj.com/bmj/interactive/rss

EDUCAUSE. 7 Things You Should Know About...RSS. What is it? Who's doing it? How does it work? and more
www.educause.edu/LibraryDetailPage/666?ID=ELI7024

MDLinx Nursing RSS feeds for nursing subspecialties
www.mdlinx.com/NurseLinx/feeds.cfm

Medscape Nurses Blogs, experts, and viewpoints; free newsletters in nursing (or other editions) and daily alerts on clinical advances in specialty areas. CE, patient education, and news.
www.medscape.com/nurses/resource

NIH Clinical Alerts and Advisories RSS feeds for clinical alerts and advisories from NIH-funded clinical trials.
www.nlm.nih.gov/databases/alerts/clinical_alerts.html#alerts

NurseLinx.com Current abstracts from selected nursing and medical journals. Free daily email newsletter with brief abstracts and weblinks.
www.nurselinx.com

RSS feeds for Nursing CE, Reading, Journal Tables of Content, Drug Updates, and more Lippincott Williams & Wilkins.
www.nursingcenter.com/rss/rssfeed.asp

US National Library of Medicine RSS Feeds and Podcasts
www.nlm.nih.gov/listserv/rss_podcasts.html

Forums and Electronic Discussion Lists

HealthWeb Nursing Discussion Lists
www.healthweb.org/browse.cfm?categoryid=1723

Medscape Nurses Blog: "In Our Own Words" Weblog for issues related to professional experiences. http://medscapenursing.blogs.com/ RSS feed for nursing headlines. www.medscape.com/pages/public/rss

Nursing Discussion Forums University of Buffalo School of Nursing.
http://nursing.buffalo.edu/mccartny/nursing_discussion_forums.html

Sigma Theta Tau International E-Forums Free forums to post, search, discuss topics of concern to all nurses.
http://sttiportal.meisoft.com/forums/index.cfm?cfapp=3

ARCHIVES

American Association for the History of Nursing Nonprofit, education, and government websites relevant to nursing history.
www.aahn.org/weblink.html

American College of Nurse Midwives ACNM Archives, 1910-1999.
www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/manuscripts/ead/acnm.html

Hall, L. A. (1997). *Nurses in the Archives: Archival Sources for Nursing History.* London: Routledge.

History of Nursing: An Index to the Microfiche Collection University Microfilms, International, 1983-1988.

Howard Gotlieb Archival Research Center at Boston University History of nursing archives. Personal and professional papers of nursing leaders, schools of nursing records, public health and professional organizations, and early textbooks.
www.bu.edu/archives/holdings/historical/nursing.html

Interagency Council on Library Resources for Nursing (1989) *Guide to Archival Sources in Nursing.* West Long Branch, NJ: Author.

Inventory of the Estelle Massey Osborne Papers, 1943-1967 New York Public Library. Describes contents of correspondence, programs, and publications of this pioneer for black nurses.
www.nypl.org/research/manuscripts/scm/scosborn.xml

Midwifery, Nursing, and Obstetrics Manuscript Collections at NLM: A Subject Guide US National Library of Medicine.
www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/manuscripts/nursing/home.html

National League for Nursing NLN Archives 1894-1952. US National Library of Medicine. www.nlm.nih.gov/hmd/manuscripts/ead/nln.html

Nursing Newsletters Online Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc. Searchable archive of 35 state nursing association newsletters. Free pdfs. www.nursingald.com/newsletter_thumbs.php

University of Pennsylvania/Barbara Bates Center for the Study of the History of Nursing Records of hospitals, schools of nursing, nursing alumni associations, professional and military associations, and personal papers. www.nursing.upenn.edu/history/

Zwerdling, M. (2004). Postcards of Nursing: A Worldwide Tribute. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. www.nursepostcard.com/

AUDIOVISUALS

In addition to sources listed below, information on audiovisuals can be found in publishers' catalogs, library catalogs, CINAHL, and print and online catalogs of professional nursing organizations.

Bowker's Complete Video Directory. (2007). New York, NY: Bowker. Four-volume set with focus on education, special interest, and entertainment. Also on CD-ROM.

LocatorPlus US National Library of Medicine. Catalog including books, serials, audiovisuals, and reports. http://locatorplus.gov

National Information Center for Educational Media (NICEM) Covers videotapes, films, audiocassettes, filmstrips, and other nonprint educational media. Records date back to 1900. Includes >630,000 indexed items. www.nicem.com

Video Source Book (36th ed.). (2006). Farmington Hills, MI: Thomson Gale. Frequently updated editions provide access to >160,000 video titles.

BIBLIOGRAPHIES/BOOK LISTS

In addition to sources listed below, information on new nursing books can be found in publishers' catalogs, library catalogs including locatorplus.gov, CINAHL, and print and online catalogs of professional nursing organizations.

AJN Book of the Year Awards Annual. Annotated list as chosen by *American Journal of Nursing.* www.ajnonline.com/pt/re/ajn/2005booksoftheyear.htm

Brandon Hill Selected Lists Selection guides for "Nursing," the "Small Medical Library," and "Allied Health." Although not updated since 2002, these lists continue to be a starting point for collection and reference. www.mssm.edu/library/brandon-hill/

Clamp, C. G. L., Gough, S., & Land, L. (2005). *Resources for Nursing Research: An Annotated Bibliography* (4th ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications. Covers books, journals, and Internet resources from 1980s onward. Table of contents and selected pages searchable with "limited preview" at: http://books.google.com/books?vid=ISBN0761949917

$$ Doody's Review Service Expert reviews of medical, nursing, and allied health books and software. www.doody.com/dej.htm. Members of Sigma Theta Tau International can access an enhanced version at "My Info Search." www.nursingsociety.org

Lomax, E., & Setterlund, S. K. (2005). A Virtual Reference Shelf for Nursing Students and Faculty: Selected Sources. *Journal of Library Administration, 44(1-2),* 429-450. Both free and fee-based electronic references. Includes web and PDA sources.

R. R. Bowker. *Medical and Health Care Books and Serials in Print, 2007: An Index to Literature in the Health Sciences* (two volumes, annual). New Providence, NJ. Subject, author, and title access to >109,000 English and foreign language books, US and foreign serials in medical and health subject areas.

BIOETHICS

Books

American Nurses Association. (2001). *Code of Ethics for Nurses with Interpretive Statements.* Washington DC: American Nurses Publishing. View online at www.nursingworld.org/ethics/code/protected_nwcoe303.htm

Brody, B.A., et al. (2000). *Medical Ethics: Codes, Opinions, and Statements.* Washington, DC: Bureau of National Affairs.

Post, S. G. (Ed.). (2004). *Encyclopedia of Bioethics (3rd ed.).* New York: Macmillan Reference USA.

Schroeter, K., Derse, A., Junkerman, C., & Schiedermayer, D. (2002). *Practical Ethics for Nurses and Nursing Students: A Short Reference Manual.* Hagerstown, MD: University Publishing Group.

Walters, L., Kahn, T. J., & Goldstein, D. M. (2004). *Bibliography of Bioethics.* Washington, DC: Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University. Annual index containing >3,600 new citations to documents in bioethics, derived from citations added to the NLM databases. Comprehensive access to literature on ethical, legal, and public policy aspects of health care and biomedical research.

Websites

American Nurses Association Center for Ethics and Human Rights Center activities, bibliographies, code of ethics, policy development, position statements, and issues updates. www.nursingworld.org/ethics/

Center for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine News, resource links, events, special features, streaming video, funding sources. www.bioethics.upenn.edu/

International Code of Ethics for Nurses International Council of Nurses (ICN). Adopted in 1953 and revised and reaffirmed at various times since; also in French, Spanish, and German. www.icn.ch/icncode.pdf

National Reference Center for Bioethics Literature (NRCBL), Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University Books, journals, newspaper articles, legal materials, regulations, codes, government publications, and documents concerned with issues in biomedical and professional ethics. www.georgetown.edu/research/nrcbl/nrc/index.htm Includes the ETHX bibliographic database (>180,000 citations). www.georgetown.edu/research/nrcbl/databases/index.htm

Nursing Ethics at Boston College School of Nursing Resources, database, abstracts, reviews, collections, links, education. www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/son/ethics/

COMPLEMENTARY/ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

CAM is defined as diverse medical and health care systems, practices, and products that are not presently considered part of conventional medicine.

Reference Books and Reports

Committee on the Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine by the American Public. (2005). *Complementary and Alternative Medicine in the United States.* Washington, DC: National Academies Press. Free. http://books.nap.edu/catalog/11182.html

Dossey, B., Keegan, L., & Guzzetta, C. E. (2004). *Holistic Nursing: A Handbook for Practice (4th ed.).* Sudbury, MA: Jones & Bartlett.

Gordon, J. S. (2002). White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy: Final Report and Next Steps. *Alternative Therapies in Health & Medicine, 8(3),* 28-31. Free. http://whccamp.hhs.gov/finalreport.html

Jonas, W. B. (Ed.). (2005). *Mosby's Dictionary of Complementary and Alternative Medicine.* St Louis, MO: Elsevier Mosby.

Snyder, M., & Lindquist, R. (2006). *Complementary/Alternative Therapies in Nursing (5th ed.).* New York: Springer Publishing. Table of contents and selected pages at: http://books.google.com/books?vid=ISBN0826114474

Sparber, A. (2001, August 31). State Boards of Nursing and Scope of Practice of Registered Nurses Performing Complementary Therapies. *Online Journal of Issues in Nursing 6(3),* Manuscript 10. Links to state boards of nursing policies on complementary therapies. www.nursingworld.org/ojin/topic15/tpc15_6.htm

Spencer, J. W., & Jacobs, J. (Eds.). (2003). *Complementary/Alternative Medicine: An Evidence-Based Approach (2nd ed.).* St. Louis, MO: Elsevier Mosby.

Databases

See also: Databases and Indexes.

$$ Alt HealthWatch Focuses on many perspectives of complementary, holistic, and integrated approaches to health care/wellness. Indexes articles, reports, proceedings, pamphlets, booklets, special reports, original research, and book excerpts as well as association and consumer newsletters from >140 international sources. www.epnet.com/academic/default.asp

$$ AMED Health Care Information Service of the British Library. Alternative medicine database; scope primarily European. www.bl.uk/collections/health/amed.html

CAM on PubMed National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine and the NLM have partnered to create this subset of NLM's PubMed. Literature search automatically limited to CAM subset of PubMed. www.nlm.nih.gov/nccam/camonpubmed.html

Cochrane Collaboration CAM Reviews Coordinated by University of Maryland Center for Integrative Medicine. Linked to abstracts and plain language summaries. www.compmed.umm.edu/Cochrane/index.html

$$ Natural Standard International, multidisciplinary, evidence-based information source about CAM therapies. Includes databases of herbs/supplements, health/wellness, allergy/immunology, brand names, and interactions. http://www.naturalstandard.com/

Websites

American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) Nonprofit educational organization open to nurses and health care professionals interested in holistic health care. www.ahna.org

MedlinePlus: Complementary and Alternative Therapies Topics www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/complementaryandalternativetherapies.html

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) Explores CAM healing practices in the context of rigorous science to train researchers and disseminate authoritative information to public and professionals. nccam.nih.gov

CONSUMER HEALTH/PATIENT EDUCATION

Books

AJN Book of the Year Awards. Includes consumer health category. www.ajnonline.com/pt/re/ajn/2005booksoftheyear.htm

America's Top Doctors. The Nation's Leading Medical Specialists (6th ed.). (2006). New York: Castle Connolly Medical.

Consumers' Checkbook Magazine (Eds.). (2002). *Consumers' Guide to Hospitals.* Washington, DC: Consumers' Checkbook.

Komaroff, A. L. (Ed.). (1999). *Harvard Medical School Family Health Guide.* New York: Free Press. Updated at: health.harvard.edu/fhg

Medical & Health Information Directory, 2006. (19th ed.). Three volumes. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale Research.

Websites

ClinicalTrials.gov Explains benefits and risks of clinical trials and how to become a participant. Includes trials conducted by NIH, other federal agencies, and pharmaceutical companies. http://clinicaltrials.gov

MedicineNet Part of the WebMD network, authoritative medical information for consumers provided by physicians on conditions, diseases, tests, and procedures. http://medicinenet.com

MedlinePlus® Valuable resource for patient teaching, drug and disease links, tutorials, and ready reference. Includes interactive health tutorials, pre-formatted PubMed searches, and more. http://medlineplus.gov

MedWeb Meta-site. Browse consumer health listings by topic and source. www.medweb.emory.edu/MedWeb/

The Merck Manuals. Merck & Co., Inc. www.merckhomeedition.com/

Quackwatch. Stephen Barrett, MD. Nonprofit company formed to expose health-related frauds, myths, fads, and fallacies. www.quackwatch.com

"Top Ten" Most Useful Websites for Health Consumers Medical Library Association. www.mlanet.org/resources/medspeak/topten.html

UpToDate® Patient Information Continuously updated patient-level literature reviews on health topics A to Z. www.patients.uptodate.com/

DATABASES AND INDEXES

Access to specialized databases is available from academic, hospital, and other libraries, including members of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM), www.nnlm.gov. Nurses may access these databases via library websites or directly from the vendor; also, contact a local health sciences library or closest Regional Medical Library (call 800/388-7657). For access to the US National Library of Medicine databases, check the NLM website at www.nlm.nih.gov/databases/. Always check with your library before paying for journal articles online as access via a library gateway may provide options for obtaining the full text of indexed content. Since full-text journal collections are marketed to libraries, not nurses, they are not listed here. Nurses may also obtain the full text of articles — both print and online — via professional memberships, personal subscriptions, and some websites.

Core Nursing and Health Care Databases

$$ CINAHL® Database Cinahl Information Systems (CIS). Comprehensive coverage of professional English-language literature in nursing and 17 allied health disciplines. Selective coverage of biomedicine, consumer health, alternative medicine, health sciences librarianship, foreign nursing literature. Coverage from 1982 to date includes >1 million records from >1,800 indexed journals, plus books, book chapters, pamphlets, audiovisuals, educational software, nursing dissertations, selected conference proceedings, and standards of professional practice. Includes a cited references field for >900 active journals from 1994 forward. Full text is included for selected research instruments, 73 journals, critical paths, and CIS-created documents such as legal case records and drug records, providing >25,000 full-text documents. Subject access is available via the CINAHL Subject Heading List. www.epnet.com/thisTopic.php?marketID=1&topicID=53

MEDLINE US National Library of Medicine. Covers virtually every area in the broad field of biomedicine, including bioethics, health administration, toxicology, nursing, nutrition, pharmacology, medicine, psychiatry, medical engineering, and pathology, from >4,600 US and international journals, 1966 to date, including those selected for *Hospital and Health Administration Index, Index Medicus, Index to Dental Literature,* and *International Nursing Index.* Available via many online vendors, each with its own search interface, most with access to online full text of selected journals. www.pubmed.gov

NLM Gateway National Library of Medicine. Gateway searches MEDLINE/PubMed, LocatorPlus, MEDLINEplus, and many others noted at www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/factsheets/. See also http://gateway.nlm.nih.gov/gw/Cmd

Related/Specialized Databases

Nursing research and publications may be found in a variety of databases; consult with your local librarian about your topic.

AgeLine American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Coverage 1978 to present. Social gerontology and the study of aging in social, psycho-logical, health-related, and economic contexts. Includes journal, book, and report citations. Free access. www.aarp.org/research/ageline/

AIDSinfo US Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) project providing information on HIV/AIDS clinical trials and treatment. Mission is to offer the latest federally approved information on clinical research, treatment, prevention, and medical practice guidelines for consumers and health care providers. http://aidsinfo.nih.gov. Additional federal AIDS resources are described and linked for free searching: www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/factsheets/aidsinfs.html

$$ BNIPlus (British Nursing Index) Bournemouth University, Poole Hospital NHS Trust, Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, and the Royal College of Nursing. Includes >220 nursing/midwifery and health-related journals with strong UK coverage, 1987 to present. Online and on CD-ROM. www.bniplus.co.uk

Buros Institute of Mental Measurement Includes Test Reviews Online, an index of descriptive information and critical reviews for >1,900 commercially available standardized educational, personality, aptitude, psychological, and related English-language tests published in *Mental Measurement Yearbooks.* Also includes a test publisher index. www.unl.edu/buros

Education Resources Information Center (ERIC) Sponsored by Institute of Education Sciences of the US Department of Education. Bibliographic database includes >1.1 million citations going back to 1966. Free access to >107,000 full-text, nonjournal documents. www.eric.ed.gov

Educator's Reference Desk from Information Institute of Syracuse Lesson plans, websites, and other resources not included in ERIC. www.eduref.org

$$ EMBASE, Excerpta Medica Database Elsevier Science Publishing. Includes citations and abstracts of biomedical and pharmaceutical literature from >6,500 international journals, 1974-present, many not covered in MEDLINE. Coverage of nursing journals is very limited. EMBASE.com adds citations from MEDLINE journals not in EMBASE, including nursing titles. www.embase.com

$$ Gale Group Health Reference Center – Academic; Health & Wellness Resource Center Gale offers various databases, including these two, that index >700 health and medical journals, >600 in full text. Diverse range of sources includes consumer health magazines, professional journals, pamphlets, medical reference books, topical overviews, and referral information. Also included are health-related articles from >4,000 other business and general interest publications indexed by Gale. www.galegroup.com

GPO Access Search US government databases individually or as a whole. Includes reports, studies, fact sheets, maps, handbooks, conference proceedings issued by all federal agencies, including Congress. Includes records of all Senate and House hearings on private and public bills and laws, as well as Code of Federal Regulations. Searchable topic "Health and Safety" is useful for governmental regulations, legislation, publications, and resources. www.gpoaccess.gov/databases.html

$$ HAPI (Health and Psychosocial Instruments) Behavioral Measurement Database Services, Pittsburgh, PA. Index of measurement instruments in the health sciences, psychological and social sciences, and library and information science. Identifies instruments needed for research and practice. www.ovid.com

Health and Medicine in the News University of Minnesota Bio-Medical Library (1997 to present). Index to health-related articles in *Star Tribune* (Minneapolis edition). When possible includes full citation to published journal literature or meeting abstract behind the story. www.biomed.lib.umn.edu/hmed

HSTAT (Health Services Technology Assessment Text) NLM Information Technology Branch of the Lister Hill Center. Access to full-text documents: clinical practice guidelines, quick reference guides, consumer brochures, evidence reports, technology assessments, and research protocols. www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/bv.fcgi?rid=hstat

$$ ISI Web of Knowledge Institute for Scientific Information (ISI). Includes Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI), an international, multidisciplinary index to the literature of the social, behavioral, and related sciences, including nursing. Also includes *Science Citation Index* and *Arts and Humanities Citation Index.* www.isinet.com/products/citation/

LocatorPlus National Library of Medicine's online catalog, covering all catalogued titles, including books, serials, audiovisuals, and reports. Bibliographic data from NLM's previously published format-specific indexes have been merged into this file. http://locatorplus.gov/

MedlinePlus® A valuable resource for patient teaching, drug and disease links, tutorials, and ready-reference. Includes interactive health tutorials, preformatted PubMed searches, and more. http://medlineplus.gov

PDQ (Physicians Data Query) National Cancer Institute. Latest information about cancer treatment, screening, prevention, genetics, supportive care, and clinical trials. www.nci.nih.gov/cancer_information/pdq/

$$ PsycINFO American Psychological Association. International literature in psychology and related behavioral and social sciences, including psychiatry, sociology, anthropology, education, pharmacology, and linguistics. Records include citations to journal articles, dissertations, reports, book chapters, books, and other scholarly documents. Most include abstracts. www.apa.org/psycinfo/

Virginia Henderson International Nursing Library Features searchable Registry of Nursing Research database and links to other nursing resources. www.nursinglibrary.org

Evidence-Based Practice Databases / Indexes / Resources

In addition to research published in journals, dissertations, and other scholarly sources, the following resources provide support for evidence-based practice (EBP). Critical abstracts from many of the following sources, as well as those published in many other journals, are indexed in the CINAHL database with publication types "Journal Article," "Abstract," and "Commentary."

ABSTRACTS AND COMMENTARIES

$$ ACP Journal Club (1991-) Bimonthly journal from American College of Physicians, with commentaries. Online access comes with subscription and includes additional features. www.acpjc.org

Bandolier (1994-) Monthly independent evidence-based health care journal from the UK. Commentaries appear on website two to three months following print publication. www.jr2.ox.ac.uk/bandolier/index.html

$$ Evidence-Based Mental Health (1998-) Quarterly journal with commentaries. http://ebmh.bmjjournals.com

$$ Evidence-Based Nursing (1998-) Quarterly journal with commentaries. Website includes current contents and selected free articles. http://ebn.bmjjournals.com

RAPid and the RAP Library Database of peer-reviewed critical appraisals from the Joanna Briggs Institute. www.joannabriggs.edu.au/services/rapid.php

$$ Worldviews on Evidence-Based Nursing (2004-) Quarterly journal from Sigma Theta Tau International. Original articles, systematic reviews, and archival access via subscription to *Online Journal of Knowledge Synthesis for Nursing* (1993- 2003). www.nursingsociety.org/worldviews/index.html

BEST PRACTICES / PRACTICE GUIDELINES

Best practices are available from many sources, including journals and other resources indexed in CINAHL and MEDLINE. CINAHL publication types to consider include Care Plan, Clinical Innovations, Critical Path, Practice Guidelines, Protocol and Standards. Also, consider Evidence-Based Care Sheets available in CINAHLPlus. "Practice Guideline" is also available as a MEDLINE publication type. See also nursing specialty organizations.

AHRQ Evidence Based Practice Links to Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC) Evidence Reports. www.ahrq.gov/clinic/epcix.htm

Evidence-Based Medicine Resource Center New York Academy of Medicine links to clinical practice guidelines. www.ebmny.org/cpg.html

JBI Best Practice Information Sheets Joanna Briggs Institute. www.joannabriggs.edu.au/pubs/best_practice.php

National Guideline Clearinghouse Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), US Department of Health and Human Services. www.guideline.gov

Nursing Best Practice Guidelines Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO). www.rnao.org/bestpractices/index.asp

RCN Clinical Guidelines. Royal College of Nursing. www.rcn.org.uk/resources/guidelines.php

SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS

Berkeley Systematic Reviews Group A website dedicated to summarizing and conducting methodological research in the fields of systematic review and meta-analyses. Provides training and extensive links. www.medepi.net/meta/

The Cochrane Library Cochrane Collaboration. Four full-text databases that cover the subject area of evidence-based medicine: Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR), Database of Abstracts of Reviews and Effectiveness (DARE), Cochrane Controlled Trials Register (CCTR), and Cochrane Review Methodology Database (CRMD). Cochrane Reviews are also indexed in CINAHL, MEDLINE, and the TRIP database. www.cochrane.org

Health Technology Assessment (NHS Health Technology Assessment Programme). www.ncchta.org

International Journals of Evidence-based Health Care (formerly JBI Reports) Joanna Briggs Institute. www.joannabriggs.edu.au/about/home.php

Online Journal of Clinical Innovations Included in CINAHLPlus database. www.cinahl.com/cexpress/ojcionline3/index.html

EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE META-SEARCH TOOLS

These tools search multiple sources and organize results according to the EBP categories noted above.

SUMsearch From Department of Clinical Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Simultaneously searches PubMed MEDLINE, DARE, and the National Guideline Clearinghouse (NGC). Includes search filters for clinical queries, and extends systematic review searches to MEDLINE when DARE does not provide sufficient results. http://sumsearch.uthscsa.edu

TRIP database (Turning Research Into Practice) TRIP Database Ltd. in the UK. Searches >75 websites with high quality medical information. Subscription database, with limited free access. www.tripdatabase.com

META-SITES FOR EVIDENCE-BASED NURSING PRACTICE

Numerous websites are devoted to evidence-based medicine and the overarching concept of evidence-based practice. These sites are a sampling of those focused on nursing and interdisciplinary EBP.

Academic Center for Evidence-Based Nursing (ACE) University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Includes model for ACE Star Model of Knowledge Transformation®, which demonstrates diffusion of innovation from research to practice. www.acestar.uthscsa.edu/About.htm

Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing, University of York www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/centres/evidence/cebn.htm

Joanna Briggs Institute Site for Evidence-Based Nursing www.joannabriggs.edu.au/about/eb_nursing.php

Sigma Theta Tau International/Nursing Knowledge International STTI subsidiary offers access to free and fee-based evidence-based nursing resources developed by leading organizations around the globe. www.nursingknowledge.org/Portal/main.aspx

DICTIONARIES

Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary (30th ed.). (2003).
Philadelphia: Saunders.

Medi-Lexicon International >200,000 medical, pharmaceutical, biomedical, and health care acronyms and abbreviations, plus medical news and searches for medical, pharmaceutical, and health care professionals. A UK-based website with US information. www.pharma-lexicon.com/

Merriam-Webster's Medical Dictionary on MedlinePlus.
www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/mplusdictionary.html

O'Toole, M.T. (Ed.). (2005). *Miller-Keane Encyclopedia and Dictionary of Medicine, Nursing, and Allied Health* (7th rev. ed.). Philadelphia: Elsevier Science Health Sciences Division.

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$$ **International Pharmaceutical Abstracts** American Society of Health System Pharmacists. Indexes >750 worldwide journals published since 1970. www.scientific.thomson.com/products/ipa

MedMaster™ American Society of Health System Pharmacists. Database is based on ASHP's *Medication Teaching Manual: The Guide to Patient Drug Information,* which includes information on >700 generic and brand name medications.
www.safemedication.com/About/medMaster.cfm and
www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginformation.html, and through other organizations; also available for PDA. ashp.pdaorder.com/welcome.xml

$$ **Micromedex-Thomson** A comprehensive drug information database www.micromedex.com/

$$ **PDR Electronic Library** Thomson Micromedex and pdr.net. Contains full text of *Physicians Desk Reference, PDR for Nonprescription Drugs and Dietary Supplements,* and *PDR for Ophthalmic Medicines and Side Effects.* In print and on PDA. www.micromedex.com/products/pdr/

$$ **USP DI® Advice for the Patient®** *Drug Information for the Health Care Provider.* United States Pharmacopeial Convention. Information on brand name drugs; available as print publication and as database in many libraries and at www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/druginformation.html For purchase at: www.micromedex.com/products/uspdi/v2/

Toxicology, Environmental, and Occupational Health

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www.atsdr.cdc.gov/hazdat.html

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www.micromedex.com/products/poisindex/

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Regulations

Federal Government Agencies Regulatory information and links to drugs, toxicology, environmental, and occupational health on websites of US agencies: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at www.epa.gov/epahome/rules.html; Food and Drug Administration (FDA) at www.fda.gov/opacom/laws/; and Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) at www.osha.gov

$$ **RegsLink® System** Thomson Micromedex. Commercial database system that provides state and federal regulatory information on the Internet. Includes information from *Federal Register,* Code of Federal Regulations, OHSA, EPA, and information from the 50 states.
www.micromedex.com/products/regslink/

EDUCATION/CAREER INFORMATION

AJN Career Guide Supplement to the January issue of *American Journal of Nursing.* Includes Guide to Certification, State Nurses Associations list, and How to Get a License. www.nursingcenter.com/CareerCenter/index.asp

All Nursing Schools Directory searchable by location, degree, and/or subject area. www.allnursingschools.com

American Association of Colleges of Nursing www.aacn.nche.edu

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Officially recognized by the US Secretary of Education as a national accreditation agency for nursing programs at the baccalaureate level and above.
www.aacn.nche.edu/Accreditation/

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GRANTS RESOURCES
Directories and Databases

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Council on Foundations Membership organization of >2,000 grant-making foundations and giving programs worldwide. www.cof.org

CRISP (Computer Retrieval of Information on Scientific Projects) Searchable database of federally funded biomedical research projects and award information conducted at universities, hospitals, and other research institutions. http://crisp.cit.nih.gov

Foundation Center Lists private, corporate, public, nonprofit, and community foundations. Fee-based Foundation Directory Online, with >80,000 listings. http://fdncenter.org. For individual grant-seeker access, see: http://foundationcenter.org/getstarted/individuals/index.html

GrantsNet Links to >900 grant programs offered by 26 federal grant-making agencies; funding opportunities at www.grants.gov. Includes roadmap to the grant-seeking process and other resources. www.hhs.gov/grantsnet/

Guidestar: The National Database of Nonprofit Organizations Information on >850,000 IRS-recognized nonprofit organizations. Links to 12 sites that offer assistance to nonprofit organizations seeking grant money and a tutorial on how to find grant information. www.guidestar.org

HRSA. Bureau of Health Professions: Nursing Nurse Education and Practice Grant Programs. bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/

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American Nursing Informatics Association ANIA seeks to promote nursing informatics through communication, education, research, and professional activities. Site offers information on goals, meetings, conferences, membership, and related sites. www.ania.org/

AMIA Nursing Informatics Working Group (NI-WG) Represents the interests of nursing informatics and of the Working Group members. Included are links to annual and current activities, recent newsletters, bylaws, and related sites. www.amia.org/mbrcenter/wg/ni/

CARING (Connecting, Sharing & Advancing Healthcare Informatics) Advances the delivery of quality health care through the integration of informatics in practice, education, administration, and research. www.caringonline.org/mc/page.do

Certification Commission for Healthcare Information Technology (CCHIT) www.cchit.org

Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society, Nursing Informatics HIMSS provides resources to promote and support the field of nursing informatics through knowledge sharing, advocacy, collaboration, innovation, community affiliations, and advising on public policy. www.himss.org/ASP/topics_nursingInformatics.asp

Health Information Technology US Department of Health & Human Services. The American Health Information Community (AHIC) is a federal advisory body, chartered in 2005 to make recommendations to the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services on how to accelerate the development and adoption of health information technology. www.hhs.gov/healthit/

Health Level 7 (HL7) www.hl7.org

IMIA Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group International nonprofit organization serving the needs of nurses in the field of nursing informatics. Working groups are of specific interest. www.imia.org/ni/

International Organization for Standardization www.iso.org

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AHRQ Patient Safety Network (PSNet) News and weekly updates of patient safety literature, tools, meetings, research. www.psnet.ahrq.gov/index.aspx

American Hospital Association Patient safety articles that AHA scans and updates for users. www.aha.org/aha/resource-center/bibliography/patient-safety.html

American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists Patient Safety Resource Center Fosters fail-safe medication use in health systems through advocacy, education, and research. www.ashp.org/s_ashp/subindex2.asp?CID=489&DID=531

Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) Patient Safety First Resources www.patientsafetyfirst.org/healthcare/resources.html

Canadian Nurses Association Patient Safety Resource Guide www.cna-nurses.ca/CNA/practice/environment/safety/guide/default_e.aspx

Department of Defense (DoD) Patient Safety Center
http://dodpatientsafety.usuhs.mil/

Institute for Safe Medication Practice (ISMP) The nation's only 501c(3) nonprofit organization devoted entirely to medication error prevention and safe medication use. www.ismp.org/

Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. Workplace. Links to projects, events, and reports concerning occupational health and safety. www.iom.edu/CMS/3724.aspx

Joint Commission International Center for Patient Safety
www.jcipatientsafety.org/

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MedlinePlus Patient Safety Page www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/patientsafety.html

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National Center for Patient Safety Established to develop and nurture a culture of safety throughout the Veterans Health Administration. www.patientsafety.gov/

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National Coordinating Council for Medication Error Reporting and Prevention (NCC MERP) www.nccmerp.org/councilRecs.html

National Patient Safety Agency Coordinates efforts aimed at patient safety incidents occurring in the National Health Service, UK. www.npsa.nhs.uk/

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International Nursing Coalition for Mass Casualty Education (INCMCE) Coordinated by Vanderbilt University School of Nursing. www.incmce.org/

New York Academy of Medicine *Resource Guide for Public Health Preparedness.* Full text of expert guidelines, fact sheets, and other tools. www.phpreparedness.info/

Partners in Information Access for the Public Health Workforce Collaborative effort of government agencies, public health organizations, and health science libraries to assist the public health workforce to find and use information effectively to improve and protect the public's health. http://phpartners.org/

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http://nursingworld.org/books/pdescr.cfm?cnum=15#06SSPH

Public Health Nursing Section of American Public Health Association
www.apha.org/membergroups/sections/aphasections/phn/

Quad Council of Public Health Nursing Organizations
www.achne.org/Quad_Council.htm

Rand Public Health Preparedness Database Funded by US Department of Health and Human Services, access to numerous public health preparedness exercises and papers about exemplary practices in public health preparedness. http://rand.org/health/projects/php/

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Meta-Sites

Most universities with schools of nursing have meta-sites for statistical resources on the Internet. For example:

Columbia University's Electronic Data Service www.columbia.edu/acis/eds/

Columbia University: Data on the Internet Links to data providers, extractors, meta-sites for data, data archives. www.columbia.edu/acis/eds/outside_data/internet.html.

Cornell University http://people.cornell.edu/pages/df36/WWWDataResources.htm

Emory University www.healthlibrary.emory.edu/index.php?module=page-master&PAGE_user_op=view_page&PAGE_id=119

University of California, San Diego Data on the Net. http://3stages.org/idata/

University of Michigan Statistical Resources on the Web. www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/stats.html

Government Sites

Administration on Aging's Statistics on Aging Population www.aoa.gov/prof/Statistics/statistics.asp

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) (Formerly Agency for Health Care Policy and Research) www.ahrq.gov/ Health insurance, use of health services and health care expenditures, health insurance of minorities. Data and surveys at: www.ahcpr.gov/data/

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Annual Capital Expenditures Survey www.census.gov/csd/ace/pubs.html

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A-Z list of topics with links to "statistics." www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Links to Data Compendium with data on Medicare enrollment and Medicaid recipients, expenditures, and utilization. State-by-state and national data on prescription drugs in Medicaid; free downloads of datasets. www.cms.hhs.gov/researchers/

Childstats.gov America's Children Includes key indicators of child well-being. www.childstats.gov/americaschildren/

DataWeb Collaboration between US Census Bureau and the CDC. www.thedataweb.org/

FedStats Link by topic, geography, agency, or A-Z list, including health topics A-Z. www.fedstats.gov

GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Portal US County Population Trends, Decennial Census. http://gislounge.com/features/aa041101b.shtml

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National Center for Education Statistics http://nces.ed.gov/

National Center for Health Statistics Includes *Health: US*, an annual publication with statistics on recent trends in health care. www.cdc.gov/nchs/Default.htm

National Hospital Discharge and Ambulatory Surgery Summary www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/hdasd/nhds.htm

Nursing Workforce Reports and Data, US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration Includes 2004 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses (published June 2006), comprehensive snapshot containing salary, demographic, educational, role, and title information on 2.9 million registered nurses. http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/healthworkforce/nursing.htm

State Data Center Program www.census.gov/sdc/www/

Statistical Abstract of the United States Authoritative and comprehensive summary of statistics on social, political, and economic organization of the US. www.census.gov/compendia/statab/

US Census Bureau Gateway to Census 2000, maps, population data by subject, special topics including National Data Book. www.census.gov/ Fact Finder from the Us Census Bureau: http://factfinder.census.gov/home/saff/main.html?_lang=en

White House Site for Latest Federal Government Statistics www.whitehouse.gov/fsbr/health.html

Organizations and International Sources

AACN's Institutional Data Systems (IDS) and Research Center American Association of Colleges of Nursing. Authoritative national databank of current statistics on student enrollment, graduations, and faculty salaries in baccalaureate/graduate nursing programs. www.aacn.nche.edu/Publications/instdata.htm

Interagency Collaborative on Nursing Statistics (ICONS) Association of individuals from a variety of organizations who are responsible for the development, compilation, and analysis of data on nurses and the settings in which they practice. www.iconsdata.org

Kaiser Family Foundation Latest state-level data on demographics, health, and health policy, including health coverage, access, financing, and state legislation and budgets. www.kff.org/statepolicy/index.cfm Includes source for state health data. www.statehealthfacts.org/

March of Dimes PeriStats Perinatal Data Center, with free access to aggregated US, state, county, and city maternal/infant health data. www.marchofdimes.com/peristats/

National League for Nursing Data on all nursing education programs in the USA and its territories. www.nln.org/research/index.htm

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Interactive Statistical Calculation Web Pages Comprehensive set of tools described as "web pages that perform statistical calculations." http://StatPages.org

Martindale's Calculators Online Center Meta-site for Medical, Health, and Nutrition calculators. www.martindalecenter.com/Calculators.html

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