Learning Objectives

• review research resources
• review effective strategies for searching and accessing nursing resources
• live demo
Research resources

- Books
- Databases of journal articles

- PubMed
- ProQuest
- Krahl
- EBSCO
- Nursing Center
- Bookshelf
Why not Google?

• Anyone can publish anything on the Internet
• Millions and millions of hits
  – Which are accurate and valid?
  – Requires your time to evaluate
• Does not include information found in library databases of **scholarly journals**
Databases are key

- Premium information resources
  - journal and newspaper articles
  - scholarly information from published works
- Searchable
- Often contain full-text articles
Over Here

No, this way
Nursing and Health Library Guide

The Nursing and Health Library Guide contains links to a wide variety of nursing and health research resources, library and reference materials, database articles, websites, news links, and information on APA citation style.

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Search the collection

Search for library books, DVDs, etc.

Keyword

Search

Click here for the newest nursing arrivals at the Library!

The Library of Congress classification section for nursing, medicine and health is R. Also note:

- Dentistry
- Geriatrics

Find Articles Using Databases

CINAHL with Full Text (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature)
Contains full text for many of the most used journals in the CINAHL index. CINAHL with Full Text is considered the definitive research tool for all areas of nursing and allied health literature. Subject coverage includes nursing, biomedicine, health sciences librarianship, alternative/complementary medicine and consumer health.

Focus Medica Health Animation Collection
Features content from two major multi-media reference works, the Animated Medical and Health Dictionary and the Animated Dictionary of Cardiology. The collection provides an engaging visual research experience. *To search this collection, type your topic into the search field. On the next page, next to Continue searching in, click on the drop-down menu to search this collection.

Health Reference Center Academic
Provides access to full-text peer-reviewed journals and other periodicals on many medical disciplines, with emphasis on nursing and allied health.
How to start?

• Put the problem in the form of a question
• Search
• Examine your results
• Revise your search question if needed
Question-based literature review strategy

What is the problem?
“I need some research stuff on kids and handwashing.”

What is the question?
“Are there any evidence-based research studies on the benefits of teaching handwashing to children?”

What are the question’s concepts?
1: handwashing 2: children
3: research 4: evidence-based
General Rule

Start big
then
narrow down

Is the reason for 0 results because there is nothing in the &*%@@# database
or
(more likely)
were the wrong words used?
Other Resources

Library Databases
- Nursing Center
- ProQuest Nursing and Allied Health Resource
- Health Source Nursing/Academic edition

Web Sites
- Healthy People
  <www.healthypeople.gov>
- Medscape
  <www.medscape.com>
Review

• Search databases (not Google)
• Overview of nursing resources
• Turn problem into question
• On to the live demo!!!
Thank you!

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