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
- EBSCO
- CINAHL
- 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
Search the collection

Search for library books, DVDs, etc.

Keyword

Search

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.

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.

Health Source Nursing/Academic Edition
Provides access to full-text peer-reviewed journals and other periodicals on many medical disciplines, with emphasis on nursing and allied health.

LexisNexis Academic
Provides full-text documents from news, business, legal, medical, and reference publications with a variety of flexible search options.

Ask A Librarian

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How to start?

- Put the problem in the form of a question
- Search
- Examine your results
- Revise your search question if needed
What is the problem?
“I need to know about Dorothea Orem.”

What is the question?
“What is the background and specific concepts from nursing theorist Dorothea Orem?”

What are the question’s concepts?
1: Dorothea Orem 2: nursing theory
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

Search Engines & Sites
- Medstory
  <www.medstory.com>
- Virginia Henderson Nursing Library
  <www.nursinglibrary.org/portal/main.aspx>
- Open Access Journals
  <www.doaj.org/doaj?func=subject&cpid=23>
- 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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