

# How to find a peer-reviewed article in CINAHL.

A Preston Smith Library

mini-PowerPoint

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# Peer-Reviewed articles

- Have been reviewed by peers
- Who are subject experts

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- Databases A-Z
- eJournals (GoldRush)
- Books and eBooks
- Document Delivery & ILL

## Professional Resources & Services

- Create a library account
- Off campus users start here
- Reference & Instruction
- Citation Tools
- Mobile Resources
- Writing Center
- Lubbock Noise Reporting
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## Popular Resources

- Access Products Index
- CINAHL Complete
- ClinicalKey / FirstConsult
- Cochrane
- DynaMed Plus
- Embase
- Essential Evidence Plus
- Micromedex
- Nursing Reference Center
- Ovid
- SCOPUS

Start here!

Select CINAHL Complete

Enter term into upper box.

CINAHL will search for all articles that have been tagged with concept.



Searching: **CINAHL Complete** | [Choose Databases](#)

Suggest Subject Terms

(MH "Patient Safety")

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Search

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Clear <sup>?</sup>

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾



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Results  
Before

Refine Results

Search Results: 1 - 50 of 44,464

Date Newest ▾

Page Options ▾

Share ▾

THEN: Click on "Advanced Search"

Clicking on “Advanced Search” brings you to this page

The screenshot shows the EBSCOhost Advanced Search interface. At the top, the search term "patient safety" is entered in the main search box. Below it, there are two additional search boxes, each with an "AND" dropdown and a "Select a Field (optional)" dropdown. The "Advanced Search" link is highlighted with an orange box. On the right side, there are two green buttons: "Search" and "Clear", with an orange arrow pointing to the "Search" button. Below the search options, there are several sections: "Search Modes and Exclusions" with radio buttons for "Boolean/Phrase", "Find all my search", "Find any of my search", and "SmartText Search"; "Limit your results" with checkboxes for "Full Text", "Abstract Available", "English Language", "Research Article", and "Search Only Pre-CINAHL"; and a right-hand column with checkboxes for "Apply related words", "Also search within the full text of the articles", "Apply equivalent subjects", "References Available", "Published Date" (with month and year dropdowns), "Publication", "Peer Reviewed" (checked), "Exclude Pre-CINAHL", and "Exclude MEDLINE records". An orange box highlights the "Peer Reviewed" checkbox, with an orange arrow pointing to it from the text "Choose".

Searching: [CINAHL Complete](#) | [Choose Databases](#)

EBSCOhost

patient safety

MH Exact Subject Heading ▾

Search

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Basic Search **Advanced Search** Search History

**Search Options**

**Search Modes and Exclusions**

**Search modes** ?

- Boolean/Phrase
- Find all my search
- Find any of my search
- SmartText Search

**Limit your results**

**Full Text**

**Abstract Available**

**Author**

**English Language**

**Research Article**

**Search Only Pre-CINAHL**

**Apply related words**

**Also search within the full text of the articles**

**Apply equivalent subjects**

**References Available**

**Published Date**

Month ▾ Year:  - Month ▾ Year:

**Publication**

**Peer Reviewed**

**Exclude Pre-CINAHL**

**Exclude MEDLINE records**

Choose

Choose as many search options as you like. Typically the more filters - the Narrower results.

Check box to view subheadings. | Click linked term for tree view.

Explode (+) Major Concept Scope

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Patient Safety</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Patient Safety (nt Safety)</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Safety, Patient Use: <a href="#">Patient Safety</a>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Surveillance: Safety (Iowa NIC)</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Computerized Patient Record</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Disease Transmission, Professional-to-Patient</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Patient Record Systems</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Obstetric Patients</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Health Personnel as Patients</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Equipment Safety</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Disease Transmission, Patient-to-Professional</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Ventilator Patients</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Psychiatric Patients</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Patient Selection</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Patient Identification</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">patient safety (Search as Keyword) ?</a>			

**Include All Subheadings**  
Or select one or more subheadings to restrict your search

- Adverse Effects/AE
- Analysis/AN
- Classification/CL
- Economics/EC
- Education/ED
- Epidemiology/EP
- Equipment And Supplies/ES
- Ethical Issues/EI
- Etiology/ET
- Evaluation/EV
- History/HI
- Legislation And Jurisprudence/LJ
- Methods/MT
- Prevention And Control/PC
- Psychosocial Factors/PF
- Risk Factors/RF
- Standards/ST
- Trends/TD
- Utilization/UT

Search Term	Explode (+)	Major Concept
Patient Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Each two letter code represents a subheading, e.g. AN represents Analysis

Related Headings:  
[Security Enhancement \(Iowa NIC\)](#)  
[Fall Prevention \(Iowa NIC\)](#)  
[Surveillance: Safety \(Iowa NIC\)](#)  
[Security Measures, Electronic Individual Safety \(Saba CCC\)](#)  
Used For:  
Safety, Patient

After you make selections or not "Search Database"



Searching: **CINAHL Complete**

Suggest Subject Terms

(MH "Patient Safety")

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Search

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Clear ?

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

+ -

[Basic Search](#) [Advanced Search](#) [Search History ▾](#)

Click on "Search History"

## Search History/Alerts

[Print Search History](#) [Retrieve Searches](#) [Retrieve Alerts](#) [Save Searches / Alerts](#)

Select / deselect all

Search with AND

Search with OR

Delete Searches

Results After

Search ID#	Search Terms	Search Options	Action
<input type="checkbox"/> S2	(MH "Patient Safety")	<b>Limiters</b> - Peer Reviewed <b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	<a href="#">View Results</a> (30,381)
<input type="checkbox"/> S1	(MH "Patient Safety")	<b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	<a href="#">View Results</a> (44,464)

This "Search History" shows the results of your current searching. S1 under "Search Options" just shows Boolean Phrase. S2 shows that you have also used a Limiter – Peer Reviewed. Notice the differences in the numbers located by "View results"

This example showed how to filter for peer-reviewed articles.

It did not go into detail how to reduce the number of articles. To do this, you would probably want to combine with another Subject heading or term.

The sequence does not matter.

You can combine 2 or more concepts or terms first and then click on “ADVANCED SEARCH” as in the next example.

Example of a search history with 3 searches  
Combine them with AND for very specific results: Patient safety AND Accidental falls AND Program evaluation

## Search History/Alerts

[Print Search History](#) [Retrieve Searches](#) [Retrieve Alerts](#) [Save Searches / Alerts](#)

Select / deselect all

Search with AND

Search with OR

Delete Searches

Search ID#	Search Terms	Search Options	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S3	 (MH "Patient Safety")	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (44,464)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S2	 (MH "Accidental Falls")	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (17,823)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S1	 (MH "Program Evaluation")	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (31,431)

S1 AND S2 AND S3

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Search

AND ▾

Select a Field (optional) ▾

Clear



Select a Field (optional) ▾



Also select Peer Reviewed

[Search](#) [Search History](#)

Reset

### Search Modes and Expanders

#### Search modes [?](#)

- Boolean/Phrase
- Find all my search terms
- Find any of my search terms
- SmartText Searching [Hint](#)

#### Apply related words

#### Also search within the full text of the articles

#### Apply equivalent subjects

### Limit your results

#### Full Text

#### Abstract Available

#### Author

#### English Language

#### References Available

#### Published Date

Month ▾ Year:  - Month ▾ Year:

#### Publication

#### Peer Reviewed



Select / deselect all

Search with AND

Search with OR

Delete Searches



Search ID#

Search Terms

Search Options

<input type="checkbox"/>	S5	 S1 AND S2 AND S3	<b>Limiters</b> - Peer Reviewed <b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (22) 
<input type="checkbox"/>	S4	 S1 AND S2 AND S3	<b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (28) 
<input type="checkbox"/>	S3	 (MH "Patient Safety")	<b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (44,464)
<input type="checkbox"/>	S2	 (MH "Accidental Falls")	<b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (17,823)
<input type="checkbox"/>	S1	 (MH "Program Evaluation")	<b>Search modes</b> - Boolean/Phrase	 <a href="#">View Results</a> (31,431)

# Review:

This presentation showed you:

- Limiting to Peer Reviewed journals
- Combining searches from the search history to create a precise search on a topic