Research Workshop for Fast-Track Nursing

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What Do You Want to Know?
PICO Model

**P** = patient, population, problem

**I** = intervention or exposure

**C** = comparison, alternative

**O** = outcome(s)

Searching Basics
Searching Phrases

“e coli”
“vitamin c”
“quality control”
“stem cells”

Truncation •

Catalog = ?
Example: diet?

Most Info. Resources = *
Example: nutrition*
Boolean Operators

Rural Nursing Shortage

nursing
AND
shortage*
AND
rural
Age Group?

“senior citizens”
OR
elderly
OR
aged
OR
geriatric*

Adults Only!

adult*
NOT
child*
All Rolled Into One

“insulin-resistance” AND (exercise* OR sports) AND (“high blood pressure” OR hypertension) NOT elderly

Too Much?

- AND
- NOT
- Phrase searching
- Choose more specific keywords
- Add more keywords
Not Enough?

- OR
- Truncation
- Check typing/spelling
- Change keywords
- Try searching another source

Where Do I Start Searching?
Login = Bengal Card #

Getting “Stuff” -- Today

- Links to articles included in databases (EBSCOhost, PubMed etc.)
- Online journals listed on A-to-Z Journal List
- Online books in Catalog, STAT!Ref, etc.
- Books at ISU/Renaissance High School Media Center
- Other medical libraries - Call ahead
Getting “Stuff” -- Soon

- Request ISU Library books be sent to ISU-Meridian Health Science Center Student Service Office
- Request ISU Library scan articles available in print
- Request ISU Library get articles from other libraries

Getting “Stuff” -- Fees

- Online articles, books, etc.
  - Free (your ISU fees at work!)
- Checking out print library books
  - Free
- Ordering articles
  - $1.00 per item