Assignment 2:
Searching CINAHL for
Medication Administration Errors Articles

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NOTE: If you have any problems searching CINAHL (blank search results pages, blank pages with “Done” messages, or problems downloading or emailing articles), try using the Google Chrome Web browser to search. You can download PC and Mac versions at http://www.google.com/chrome and install it without being your computer’s Administrator (usually).

More advanced CINAHL searching works best for Assignment #2. Here are specific steps to follow:

1. Log into CINAHL (button is on left side of Health Sciences Library Web page at http://www.isu.edu/library/ihsl).

2. Click on CINAHL Headings in top blue bar.

3. Type phrase, medication errors, in search box and click on Browse button.

4. Click on Medication Errors in list of headings.
5. Click on box for **Major Concept**. Click on boxes to select as many **Qualify Subheadings**: as are appropriate.

6. Go to top of screen and click on **Search Database** button.

7. Now you need to narrow down your search results by clicking on **Advanced Search** under the search box.

8. Add word, **administration**, or another word into the second search box if you like. Use **Select a Field (optional)** pull-down menu limits if you like (e.g. You could search for the word, administration, only in article titles, article abstracts, etc.).

9. Select other **Limit your results** choices (Full Text, dates, English, etc.) and then click on Search button again.

*Contact or visit the Health Sciences Library if you have any questions.*

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