Critical Appraisal

Some resources to provide you with skills or to refresh your skills for all levels of learning. Your university or college will be able to give you specific guidance and you can always ask your Healthcare Library. Find details at http://www.hantshealthcarelibrary.nhs.uk/libraries.asp

Useful Websites

Bandolier ~ Evidence Based Medicine Glossary http://www.bandolier.org.uk/glossary.html

Behind the Headlines (NHS Choices) ~ explains the facts behind the headlines and gives a better understanding of the science that makes the news https://www.nhs.uk/news/

BestBets ~ Examples of papers that have been appraised using a checklist https://bestbets.org/database/browse-critical-appraisals.php

Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine ~ http://www.cebm.net/

Cochrane Systematic Reviews ~ https://www.cochranelibrary.com/cdsr/reviews

Critical Appraisal Skills Programme (CASP) ~ CASP provides some resources and learning and development opportunities to support critical appraisal skills development in the UK http://www.casp-uk.net

Evidence Search ~ search for evidence based resources https://www.evidence.nhs.uk/

Healthcare Databases (HDAS) ~ search the healthcare bibliographic databases https://hdas.nice.org.uk/

The Literature search process: guidance for Researchers


TRIP database ~ TRIP is a clinical search engine designed to allow users to quickly and easily find and use high-quality research evidence to support their practice and/or care. https://www.tripdatabase.com/
Critical Appraisal Checklists

Critical Appraisal Skills Programme (CASP) https://casp-uk.net/casp-tools-checklists/
The Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine (CEBM) https://www.cebm.net/2014/06/critical-appraisal/
SIGN - Critical appraisal notes and checklists https://www.sign.ac.uk/checklists-and-notes

Books

An introduction to systematic reviews / David Gough, Sandy Oliver, James Thomas (2012) Shelf mark WB20
Becoming a learner in the workplace : a student's guide to practice-based and work-based learning in health and social care / Wareing, Mark. (2016) Shelf mark L56
Succeeding with your literature review : a handbook for students / Oliver, Paul. (2012) Shelf mark L125
A beginner’s guide to critical thinking and writing in health and social care / Aveyard, Helen; Sharp, Pamela; Wooliams, Mary. (2nd ed) (2015) Available online with your OpenAthens account details
Evidence-based practice in nursing / Peter Ellis. - 4th ed (2019) Shelf mark WY20
Research methods for health care practice / Frances Griffiths (2009) Shelf mark WB20

Check the library catalogue for more information and other titles http://www.swims.nhs.uk/

E-Learning Courses

Finding and Appraising the Evidence https://www.healthknowledge.org.uk/interactive-learning finding-and-appraising-the-evidence Free online access
How to Search the Literature Effectively https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/literature-searching/ Available online with your OpenAthens account details

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