
Supplementary File 2: Inclusion/Exclusion Codes
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<th>Criterion</th>
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<td>1. YEAR: Was the document published during or after 1990?</td>
<td>If yes or unclear, proceed to 2.</td>
<td>Exclude if Item is published before 1990</td>
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<td>If no, use EX1 – NOT YEAR</td>
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<td>2. TOPIC: Does the document focus on a British database?</td>
<td>If yes or unclear, proceed to 3.</td>
<td>See attached list of databases that are definitely relevant. Exclude if a British database is not the topical focus of the article (e.g., studies simply saying 'we searched BNI, Medline etc' should be excluded). The item being screened should do more than just deal with the database in passing.</td>
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<td>If no, use EX3 – NOT TOPIC</td>
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<td>3. HEALTH/SOCIAL CARE: Is the document relevant to the field of health and/or social care?</td>
<td>If yes or unclear, proceed to 4.</td>
<td>This might be vague so hedge towards include. Things like mining and engineering are out, for example but if in doubt, proceed to 5.</td>
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<td>If no, use EX4 – HEALTH/SOCIAL CARE</td>
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<td>4. INCLUDE</td>
<td>Retrieve full-text document.</td>
<td>To get to this stage, and therefore be included in the review, the item should • be about any of the resources listed below – e.g. an editorial of HEED, or review of BNI, etc, or • discuss any of the resources listed (i.e. indexing, comprehensiveness of content, effectiveness of retrieving RCTs – e.g. is BNI better than Medline, a comparison of AMED and Medline etc), or • be vague or have no abstract and so full-text document must be retrieved.</td>
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<td>End of criteria.</td>
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Includable Resources

1. Age INFO
2. Alcohol concern
3. AMED/ Allied and Complementary Medicine
4. ASSIA/ Applied Social Sciences Index and Abstracts (Previously British)
5. Bibliomap
6. BL Direct (zetoc)
7. British Education Index (BEI)
8. British Humanities Index (BHI)
9. British Nursing Index (BNI)
10. ChildData
11. Community Abstracts/Community Wise
12. Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (DARE)
13. DOHPER/ Database of Promoting Health Effectiveness Reviews
14. DrugData
15. Health Management Information Consortium (HMIC)
16. Health Scotland Evaluation database
17. HEED/ Health Economic Evaluations Database
18. Index to British theses
19. International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (IBSS: Previously British)
20. NHS Economic Evaluation Database
21. NHS Evidence (Health development agency)/ national library for health
22. NSPCC electronic library/ NSPCC Inform
23. ORB Children's database
24. Planex/ IDO/ Planning Exchange
25. PROSPERO
26. Research Register for Social Care
27. RiP Evidence Bank
28. SCIE – social care online/caredata
29. Scottish Health Information Network/Scottish Health Libraries/ ShelCAT
30. Social Policy and Practice (SPP)
31. TRIP database
32. TROpHI
33. Urbadoc/Urbaline /accompline