

INFORMATION LITERACY FOR EVIDENCE BASED NURSING PRACTICE
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For the question below, please do not omit your hospital code!

- ___ 1. Please enter your Hospital Code above and on the top of each page.

For the questions that follow, please circle your choices

- ___ 2. What do you consider your primary professional role? (Select only one)

1. Administration
2. Clinical Practice
3. Education
4. Other - Please Specify _____

- ___ 3. What is your primary position professionally? (Select only one)

1. Chief Nursing Officer, VP of Nursing/Patient Services
2. Nursing Informatics
3. Divisional Director of Services or AVP
4. Supervisor, Assistant Supervisor, Head Nurse, Assistant Head Nurse or Nurse Manager
5. Charge Nurse
6. Staff Nurse
7. Nurse Clinician (Direct Patient Care Nurse)
8. Case Manager, Discharge Planner, Infection Control Nurse
9. Clinical Specialist, Nurse Researcher
10. Nurse Practitioner or Nurse Midwife (hospital based)
11. Faculty Member/Joint Appointment
12. Dean or Director of a Nursing Program (hospital based)
13. Staff Development Educators
14. Other - please specify: _____

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Agency/Institutional Information Resources

- ___ 4. Please think of the **primary Clinical Practice environment** in which you work, supervise students, do faculty practice or are otherwise associated. Please indicate how frequently you believe nurses in your environment seek information from each of the following sources:

Circle one reply for each choice

	Many Times Daily	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Not at All
Peer or Colleague	1	2	3	4	5
Reference text/Manual	1	2	3	4	5
Journal Article	1	2	3	4	5
Research Report	1	2	3	4	5
Call another department	1	2	3	4	5
Hospital Library	1	2	3	4	5
University Library	1	2	3	4	5
Call another institution	1	2	3	4	5
Internet	1	2	3	4	5

- ___ 5. Does your facility have a medical or health sciences library

1. Yes
2. No - **Skip to question 7**
3. Do not know - **Skip to question 7**

- ___ 6. If your facility has a medical or health sciences library, who does it serve? (Circle all that apply)

1. Physicians
2. Nurses
3. All employees
4. Nursing faculty/ students
5. General public
6. Do not know

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Information Literacy for Evidence Based Nursing Practice

- ___ 7. Does your facility provide access for nurses to print indexes to published literature?
1. Yes
 2. No - Skip to question 9
 3. Do not know - Skip to question 9
- ___ 8. Which print indexes to published literature does your facility provide access to for nurses?
(Circle all that apply)
1. Medline®
 2. Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature® (CINAHL®)
 3. Do not know
 4. No access to print indexes are provided by my facility
 5. Other - Please Specify _____
- ___ 9. Does your facility provide access for nurses to electronic databases of published literature?
1. Yes
 2. No Skip to question 11
 3. Do not know Skip to question 11
- ___ 10. To which of the following electronic databases is access provided to nurses? (Circle all that apply)
1. Medline® database
 2. CINAHL® database
 3. Other
 4. Do not know
- ___ 11. Does your facility provide current print nursing journals?
1. Yes
 2. No Skip to question 13
 3. Do not know Skip to question 13
- ___ 12. Where are the current print journals located?
1. Library only
 2. Nursing Unit only
 3. Both in the library and on the nursing unit
 4. Some location other than the library or nursing unit Please Specify _____
 5. Do not know where they are located
- ___ 13. Is access to electronic databases provided anywhere other than the library in your facility?
1. Yes
 2. No - Skip to question 15
 3. Do not know - Skip to question 15

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___14. If you answered "yes" to question 13, where and for whom is access to electronic databases provided Please address each one

	Yes	No	Do Not Know	Not Applicable
On patient units/nurses stations	1	2	3	4
In the unit manager's office	1	2	3	4
In the Staff Lounge	1	2	3	4
In the Learning Center/Library	1	2	3	4
Other Locations	1	2	3	4
For all Staff Nurses	1	2	3	4
For advanced Practice Nurses	1	2	3	4
For Nursing Managers	1	2	3	4
For All Staff Members	1	2	3	4
For Nursing Students	1	2	3	4

___15. Is instruction in the use of printed indexes to literature and/or electronic databases provided for nursing staff?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Do not know

___16. Is access to the internet provided anywhere in your facility?

1. Yes
2. No - Skip to question 18
3. Do not know - Skip to question 18

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____17. If Yes to Question # 16, where and for whom is access to the internet provided. Please address each one.

	Yes	No	Do Not Know	Not Applicable
On patient units/nurses stations	1	2	3	4
In the unit manager's office	1	2	3	4
In the Staff Lounge	1	2	3	4
In the Learning Center/Library	1	2	3	4
Other Locations	1	2	3	4
For all Staff Nurses	1	2	3	4
For advanced Practice Nurses	1	2	3	4
For Nursing Managers	1	2	3	4
For All Staff Members	1	2	3	4
For Nursing Students	1	2	3	4

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___ 18. Nurses consistently identify time as the primary barrier to the use of research in practice. Besides time, rank the three primary barriers (identified as 1, 2 or 3) to the use of research that you believe relates to nurses in the clinical setting. Please select only three and leave the other questions blank.

	1 st Barrier	2 nd Barrier	3 rd Barrier
Difficulty understanding research articles	1	2	3
Lack of computer skills	1	2	3
Lack of access to a computer	1	2	3
Lack of search skills	1	2	3
Difficulty accessing research materials	1	2	3
Lack of knowledge about research	1	2	3
Lack of value for research in practice	1	2	3
Lack of library access	1	2	3
Lack of skills to critique or synthesize the literature	1	2	3
Lack of understanding pertaining to electronic databases	1	2	3

Please think of your work environment for the following questions:

___19. Recently "*evidence based practice*" has been getting a great deal of attention in the literature. Are you familiar with the term?

1. Yes
2. No, if no, skip to question 21

___20. In your workplace, do the policies and procedures reflect "evidence based nursing practice"?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Do Not Know

___21. Some nursing practice and education environments have journal clubs or programs in place in which relevant journals or journal articles are circulated to nurses and/or faculty. Which response most accurately describes your institution's involvement in such a program?

1. We have implemented such a program
2. We are planning to implement such a program
3. We have thought about implementing such a program
4. None of the above
5. Do not know

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__22. How frequently in the past year do you believe most nurses and/or faculty in your workplace have participated in the following activities? Select frequency for each item

	Greater than 3 times	2 or 3 times	Once	Not at all times
Participated in research	1	2	3	4
Evaluated research reports	1	2	3	4
Identified researchable problems	1	2	3	4
Utilized research findings in the clinical environment?	1	2	3	4

__23. Please indicate how you would rate the quality and availability of resources in your workplace.

	More than Adequate	Adequate	Less than Adequate	Totally Inadequate
Print material	1	2	3	4
Online resources	1	2	3	4
Other information resources	1	2	3	4

__24. Rank the **three primary organizational constraints** (Identify as 1, 2 or 3) that may potentially affect the utilization of research in practice in your workplace. (Please Select only three and leave the other choices blank.)

	1 st Constraint	2 nd Constraint	3 rd Constraint
Organizational budget for acquisition of information resources	1	2	3
Organizational budget for training in resource utilization	1	2	3
Difficulty in recruiting and retaining nursing staff	1	2	3
Presence of other goals with a higher priority	1	2	3
Organization perceives evidence-based practice or research utilization as not achievable in the "real world".	1	2	3
Organization perceives that nursing staff is not eager or prepared to incorporate or pursue evidence-based practice	1	2	3

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Your Own Information seeking

___25. How often do you seek information to support your nursing role?

1. Often (several times a week)
2. Regularly (Weekly)
3. Occasionally (once or twice a month)
4. Seldom (less than once a month)

___26. On a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is Novice, and 5 is Expert, how would you rate your overall ability to do the following? Please rank each skill.

	1 Novice	2	3 Competence	4	5 Expert
Use a computer	1	2	3	4	5
Use Windows Operating System	1	2	3	4	5
Use word processing program such as Word, WordPerfect, etc.	1	2	3	4	5
Use other computer programs or databases such as CINAHL® or MEDLINE®	1	2	3	4	5

___27. When you seek nursing information, how do you find it? Please select the frequency for each item.

	Always	Frequently	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
I seek assistance from the librarian	1	2	3	4	5
I ask colleagues or peers	1	2	3	4	5
I search the bibliographic	1	2	3	4	5
I search the Internet	1	2	3	4	5
I read journals or books	1	2	3	4	5
I attend conferences or workshops	1	2	3	4	5

___28. Have you received instruction in the use of printed/paper based indexes or electronic databases?

1. Yes
2. No

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___29. Do you personally have access to electronic resources for locating nursing information?

1. Yes
2. No, skip to question 32

___30. To which electronic resources do you personally have access

(Circle all that apply)

1. The CINAHL® Database
2. MEDLINE®
3. Internet

___31. If you have access to CINAHL®, MEDLINE® or the internet, where is this access based?

(Circle all that apply)

1. Home
2. Nursing unit at work
3. Hospital Library at work
4. Personal office at work
5. College or University library
6. Other, i.e., community library

___32. How do you rate your ability to find information in the following resources:

	Highly Successful	Successful	Somewhat Successful	Poor	Do not search
CINAHL® database	1	2	3	4	5
MEDLINE® database	1	2	3	4	5
Internet	1	2	3	4	5

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___33. Please indicate the frequency that you personally seek information from each of the following sources. Circle one reply for each choice.

	Many Times Daily	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	3 or 4 times a year	Not at All
Peer or Colleague	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reference text/Manual	1	2	3	4	5	6
Journal Article	1	2	3	4	5	6
Research Report	1	2	3	4	5	6
Call another department	1	2	3	4	5	6
Hospital Library	1	2	3	4	5	6
University Library	1	2	3	4	5	6
Call another institution	1	2	3	4	5	6
Internet	1	2	3	4	5	6
Use Listserv/Chatroom, etc	1	2	3	4	5	6
Visit community Library	1	2	3	4	5	6
Search CINAHL® database	1	2	3	4	5	6
Search MEDLINE® / PubMed	1	2	3	4	5	6

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___34. Besides time, rank the three primary barriers (identified as 1, 2 or 3) to your personal use of research. Please select only three and leave the other choices blank.

	1 st Barrier	2 nd Barrier	3 rd Barrier
Difficulty understanding research articles or lack of computer skills	1	2	3
Lack of access to a computer	1	2	3
Lack of search skills	1	2	3
Difficulty accessing research materials	1	2	3
Lack of knowledge about research	1	2	3
Lack of value for research in practice	1	2	3
Lack of library access	1	2	3
Lack of understanding pertaining to electronic databases	1	2	3
Lack of skills to critique or synthesize the literature	1	2	3

___35 In the past year, how frequently have you participated in the following activities:

	Greater than 3 times	2 or 3 times	Once	Not at all
Participated in research	1	2	3	4
Evaluated research reports	1	2	3	4
Identified researchable problems	1	2	3	4
Utilized research findings in the work setting	1	2	3	4

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Demographics

Educational Status

___36. In what type of basic nursing education program were you first prepared to become a registered nurse? (select only one)

1. Diploma
2. Associate
3. Baccalaureate Degree
4. Master's Degree
5. Doctorate (ND)

___37. What is the highest nursing degree you have attained? (select only one)

1. Diploma
2. Associate
3. Baccalaureate Degree
4. Master's Degree
5. Doctorate (ND)

___38 What is the highest non-nursing degree you have attained? (select only one)

1. Diploma
2. Associate
3. Baccalaureate Degree
4. Master's Degree
5. Doctorate (ND)
6. None

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___39 In which field is your non-nursing degree? (Select only one)

1. Business Administration
2. Librarianship - Library Science & Information Science
3. Computer Science/ Information Technology or related areas
4. Healthcare Related field
5. Other - Please Specify _____

___40. When did you receive your most recent nursing degree?

1. 2005 - Present
2. 2000 - 2004
3. 1995 - 1999
4. 1990 - 1994
5. 1985 - 1989
6. 1984 or earlier
7. Other

___41. When did you receive your most recent non-nursing degree?

1. 2005 - Present
2. 2000 - 2004
3. 1995 - 1999
4. 1990 - 1994
5. 1985 - 1989
6. 1984 or earlier
7. I do not have a non-nursing degree

___42. Are you currently enrolled in a formal educational program leading to an academic degree with a nursing or nursing-related major?

1. Yes Skip to Question 44
2. No

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___43. Are you currently enrolled in a formal educational program leading to an academic degree with non-nursing major?

1. Yes
2. No

___44. What degree are you currently working toward in the nursing or non-nursing program?

1. Associate Degree
2. Baccalaureate Degree
3. Master's Degree
4. Doctorate
5. Other

___45. If applicable, what is your non-nursing program of study

1. Business Administration
2. Librarianship (Library or Information Science)
3. Computer Science/ Information Technology or related areas
4. Healthcare Related field
5. Not applicable
6. Other - Please Specify _____

___46. What is your current student status?

1. Full Time
2. Part Time
3. Not currently a student

___47. Have you completed or are you currently enrolled in advanced training, certification or formal course in any of the following (Circle all that apply)

1. Computer Skills
2. Informatics
3. Instructional Technology
4. None of the above

Employment Status

___48. What is your Current Employment Status?

1. Nursing - Full Time
2. Nursing - Part Time
3. Employed full time - not in nursing
4. Employed Part time - Not in nursing
5. Not currently employed **Skip to question 51**
6. Per Diem (non-accrued status)

___49. Is your principal employment or practice setting a hospital?

1. Yes
2. No, **Skip to question 51**
3. Other **Specify** _____

___50. What is your *hospital setting*?

1. Academic Medical Center
2. Community based not-for-profit hospital
3. Specialty hospital
4. Federal Government Hospital
5. Other

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Personal Demographics

___51 What is your age?

1. <30
2. 30-39
3. 40-49
4. 50-59
5. >60

___52 What is your gender?

1. Male
2. Female

___53. What is your racial background?

1. American Indian
2. Asian
3. Black or African American
4. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
5. White

___54. What is your ethnic background?

1. Hispanic or Latino
2. Not Hispanic or Latino

___55. What is the zip code where you live?

Please specify _____

___56. What is the zip code of your primary place of employment? Please Specify _____

Please write any additional comments on the back of the sheet.

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