

Systematic searches for the effectiveness of respite care

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Table 1
Databases searched

Type of databases	Database name
Databases of systematic reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) (Cochrane Library: http://www.nelh.nhs.uk/cochrane.asp) ▪ Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effects (DARE) (Centre for Reviews and Dissemination [CRD] internal database)
Databases on old age and aging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AgeInfo (Centre for Policy on Ageing: http://www.cpa.org.uk/ageinfo/ageinfo2.html) ▪ AgeLine (DIALOG)
Health-related databases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Allied and Complementary Medicine Database (AMED) (OvidWeb) ▪ British Nursing Index (BNI) (OvidWeb) ▪ CINAHL (OvidWeb) ▪ Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL) (Cochrane Library: http://www.nelh.nhs.uk/cochrane.asp) ▪ EMBASE (OvidWeb) ▪ Health Management Information Consortium (HMIC) (Health Management Information Service [HELMIS], Dhdata, and the King's Fund databases) (OvidWeb) ▪ Health Technology Assessment Database (HTA) (CRD internal database) ▪ MEDLINE (OvidWeb) ▪ MEDLINE In Process and other non-indexed citations (OvidWeb) ▪ PsycINFO (BIDS: http://www.bids.ac.uk)
Social care databases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Applied Social Sciences Index and Abstracts (ASSIA) (CSA Illumina: http://uk1.csa.com/) ▪ Caredata (electronic library for social care eLSC: http://195.195.162.66/elsc/caredata/caredatasearch.htm) ▪ International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (IBSS) (Bath Information and Data Services [BIDS]: http://www.bids.ac.uk) ▪ Interventions and Policy Evaluation (C2-RIPE) (Campbell Collaboration: http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/frontend.asp) ▪ Social Science Citation Index (SSCI) (Web of Science: http://wos.mimas.ac.uk) ▪ Social Services Abstracts (CSA Illumina: http://uk1.csa.com) ▪ Social, Psychological, Educational and Criminological Trials Register (C2-SPECTR) (Campbell Collaboration: http://128.91.199.101/) ▪ Sociological Abstracts (CSA Illumina: http://uk1.csa.com)
Economic databases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EconLit (BIDS: http://www.bids.ac.uk) ▪ Health Economics Evaluation Database (HEED) (http://www.ohe-heed.com) ▪ Internet Documents in Economics Access Service (IDEAS) (working papers sections only: http://ideas.uqam.ca)

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| Databases of Conference proceedings | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ NHS Economic Evaluation Database (NHS EED) (CRD internal database)▪ Inside Conferences (DIALOG)▪ ISI Proceedings: science & technology (Web of Knowledge: http://wos.mimas.ac.uk)▪ ISI Proceedings: social sciences and humanities (Web of Knowledge: http://wos.mimas.ac.uk) |
| Database of reports, dissertations and other gray literature | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dissertation Abstracts (http://wwwlib.global.umi.com/dissertations/)▪ Index to Theses (http://www.theses.com)▪ System for Information on Grey Literature in Europe (SIGLE) (BIDS: http://www.bids.ac.uk) |
| Databases for ongoing and recently completed research | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ ClinicalTrials.gov▪ ESRC SocietyToday Database (http://www.esrc.ac.uk/ESRCInfoCentre/index.aspx)▪ MetaRegister of Controlled Trials (http://www.controlled-trials.com)▪ National Research Register (NRR) (http://www.update-software.com/national/)▪ Research Findings Electronic Register (ReFeR) (http://www.info.doh.gov.uk/doh/refr_web.nsf/Home?OpenForm) |
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