

Additional file 1: Full Search String

Database	Date	String	Search	Results
Pubmed	03/03/2015	(multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural) AND (multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural OR ethnic groups OR migration OR immigrants OR minority) AND (views OR experiences OR attitudes OR perspectives OR qualitative research OR opinions) AND (hospitalization OR hospital OR institutionalization OR health care OR healthcare OR nursing)	Advanced	n = 5397
Cinahl	03/03/2015	(multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural) AND (multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural OR ethnic groups OR migration OR immigrants OR minority) AND (views OR experiences OR attitudes OR perspectives OR qualitative research OR opinions) AND (hospitalization OR hospital OR institutionalization OR health care OR healthcare OR nursing)	Advanced <i>(no "suggest subject terms")</i>	n = 1188
Medline	03/03/2015	(multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural) AND (multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural OR ethnic groups OR migration OR immigrants OR minority) AND (views OR experiences OR attitudes OR perspectives OR qualitative research OR opinions) AND (hospitalization OR hospital OR institutionalization OR health care OR healthcare OR nursing)	Multi-field	n = 2733
Web of Science	03/03/2015	(multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural) AND (multicultural OR intercultural OR cross-cultural OR transcultural OR ethnic groups OR migration OR immigrants OR minority) AND (views OR experiences OR attitudes OR perspectives OR qualitative research OR opinions) AND (hospitalization OR hospital OR institutionalization OR health care OR healthcare OR nursing)	Basic search	n = 1485
Embase	03/03/2015	(multicultural OR intercultural OR cross cultural OR transcultural) AND (multicultural OR intercultural OR cross cultural OR transcultural OR ethnic groups OR migration OR immigrants OR minority) AND (views OR experiences OR attitudes OR perspectives OR qualitative research OR opinions) AND (hospitalization OR hospital OR institutionalization OR health care OR healthcare OR nursing)	Quick search <i>(no "search as broadly as possible")</i>	n = 2043