

A Best Evidence Systematic Review of Interprofessional Education

Appendix I Search Strategy

Below is the search strategy we devised for our first electronic bibliographic database search on Medline (1966-2000), which was adapted for the later searches – CINAHL (1982-2001), BEI (1964-2001), ASSSIA (1990-2003) – to reflect differences in the indexing of terms between these databases

- 1 INTER-PROFESSION* or INTERPROFESSION*
- 2 INTER-DISCIPLIN* or INTERDISCIPLIN*
- 3 INTER-OCCUPATION* or INTEROCCUPATION*
- 4 INTER-INSTITUTION* or INTERINSTITUTION*
- 5 INTER-AGEN* or INTERAGEN*
- 6 INTER-SECTOR* or INTERSECTOR*.
- 7 INTER-DEPARTMENT* or INTERDEPARTMENT*
- 8 INTER-ORGANISATION* or INTERORGANISATION*
- 9 INTERPROFESSIONAL RELATIONS
- 10 TEAM*
- 11 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10
- 12 MULTI-PROFESSION* or MULTIPROFESSION*
- 13 MULTI-DISCIPLIN* or MULTIDISCIPLIN*
- 14 MULTI-INSTITUTION* or MULTIINSTITUTION*
- 15 MULTI-OCCUPATION* or MULTIOCCUPATION*
- 16 MULTI-AGEN* or MULTIAGEN*
- 17 MULTI-SECTOR* or MULTISECTOR*
- 18 MULTI-ORGANISATION* or MULTIORGANISATION*
- 19 PROFESSIONAL-PATIENT RELATION*
- 20 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18 or 19
- 21 11 or 20
- 22 EDUCATION* or TRAIN* or LEARN* or TEACH* or COURSE*
- 23 QUALITY ASSURANCE or TQM or CQI or GUIDELINE
- DEVELOPMENT
- 24 22 or 23
- 25 20 and 24
- 26 STUDENT PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL
- 27 COURSE EVALUATION
- 28 PROGRAM* EVALUATION
- 29 EVALUATION RESEARCH
- 30 EVALUATION METHODS
- 31 HEALTH CARE OUTCOME*
- 32 SOCIAL CARE OUTCOME*
- 33 EDUCATION* OUTCOME*
- 34 LEARNING OUTCOME*
- 35 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34
- 36 25 and 35

In addition to ensure we could access potentially illuminating interprofessional education evaluations linked to CQI and TQM initiatives, we added the following terms in the later ASSIA, BEI, Cinahl and Medline update (2001-2003) searches.

- 37 QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM* or QUALITY OF CARE RESEARCH
- 38 QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE or QUALITY ASSESSMENT*
- 39 QUALITY ASSURANCE or QUALITY CIRCLE*
- 40 QUALITY IMPROVEMENT or QUALITY MANAGEMENT
- 41 MEDICAL AUDIT* or NURSING AUDIT*
- 41 PEER REVIEW or QUALITY ASSURANCE
- 43 HEALTH CARE GUIDELINE* or BENCHMARKING GUIDELINE*
- 44 PRACTICE GUIDELINE* or TOTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT
- 45 37 or 38 or 39 or 40 or 41 or 42 or 43 or 44
- 46 36 and 45

Again, this these additional search terms were adapted to reflect differences in the indexing of terms between the databases.