Find Formal or Technical Terminology
CINAHL Database
Search Term Help for Nursing and Allied Health Disciples

Go to the CINAHL With Full Text Database and login with Portal Name and Password:
http://www.twu.edu/library/databases.asp#c

Sample Topic: not enough Vitamin D

STEP 1: Click on the CINAHL Headings link.

STEP 2: Type the search term into the textbox. Click the BROWSE button.
STEP 2: Read the search term options listed and choose the one most appropriate for the topic. In this case, ‘Vitamin D Deficiency’ fits our search.

Place a checkmark in the checkbox next to Vitamin D Deficiency.

When a checkmark is placed in the checkbox, a blue line appears and new options display to the right.

STEP 3: Scroll down the webpage to find the ‘Used for:’ section. This section lists additional synonyms that could be used in Google or other databases.
STEP 4: Search the database using the formal terminology.
   1. Place a checkmark in the checkbox under Explore.
   2. Click the SEARCH DATABASE button.

The Search returned over 3,000 articles on ‘Vitamin D Deficiency’. 