**Transcript – Medical Radiations – Communication with cancer patients**

This video will help you find journal articles in a library database for your assignment.

We’ll look for articles about how to communicate with cancer patients during their treatment. Before searching, think of some keywords that best describe the topic. We will search with the keywords ‘cancer patients’ and ‘communication’. If you don’t get the best results from your first search, try another search with different words.

We’ll try CINAHL. Let’s do a search for cancer patients and communication. As you enter the keywords, the database suggests other terms for you to search. If you don’t get the best results from your first search, try another search with different words.

Now we have our search results, but there are quite a few.

Under ‘Refine Results’ on the left-hand panel, we have a number of options for reducing results. For recently published material use publication date and select a date range for the last five years. Under source type, select Academic Journals. For English-only articles, go to Language, and select English. Make your selection and click ’go’.

If you require peer-reviewed articles, under Limit To, select Show More. A box for search options will appear. Click peer-reviewed and press search.

We now have fewer results and can examine the results list for relevant articles. To help you decide which articles to use in your assignment see if there is an abstract or summary of the article. You can read the abstracts of articles by moving the cursor over the magnifier icon or by selecting the individual title link.

When you are happy with your results you can now read the articles. If you see a PDF link, that’s great, you can download the article.

Some results will not have a PDF. You will need to select the FindIt Link to see if the library holds the article.

LibrarySearch will show you which database holds the article. Select the database link to find the article.

Here is the option to download the PDF of the article.

You can get help referencing any articles you’ve found. To do this, go back to the results page and select a title link.

Once you have selected the title of the article, you will see there are Tools available. Find the cite tool and select it.

Use Cite to obtain the reference list details. Copy and paste to your Word document. Remember to check that it is accurately formatted to the APA style.

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