

Total citations identified by search (n=3105 citations)

Removed (n= 186):

- Duplicates (n=87)
- Non-English language (n=86)
- Pre 2006 (n=12)
- Withdrawn (n=1)

Total number of potentially relevant articles for review of abstract & title (n=2919 citations)

Excluded (n=2802 citations)

Reason for exclusion include

- Not integrated healthcare (e.g. clinical governance, research governance, global governance, hospital care, network theory)
- Not healthcare (e.g. agrifood chains, organisational governance, corporate governance, vet science)
- No abstract

Passed abstract screening, full manuscripts obtained and reviewed for inclusion (n=117 citations)

Excluded (n=97 citations)

Reason for exclusion:

- Did not meet criteria of primary/secondary integration
- Population and setting not eligible
- No relevant outcomes

Passed full text screening and included in review (n=20 citations)

Citation review PubMed & Embase Feb 2012-Feb 2013 in-press on-line articles (n=13 citations). Excluded (n=12 citations).

Reason for exclusion:

- Did not meet criteria of primary/secondary integration
- Population and setting not eligible
- No relevant outcomes

Passed full text screening and included in review (n=21 citations)

By country:

- Australia (n=6)
- Canada (n=4)
- New Zealand (n=1)
- Sweden (n=1)
- UK (n=5)
- USA (n=4)