Physical Therapy – Library Visit

By the end of our session you will have:

1. Completed basic searching with Boolean operators and used truncation in databases such as OneSearch and PubMed; also located other databases.
2. Exported an article into RefWorks and can create a bibliography/References List.
3. Linked to various Resource Guides – Physical Therapy, RefWorks and AMA.
4. Searched for articles and are familiar with limiters and fields for narrowing a search.

What is RefWorks?

RefWorks manages and organizes citations found in library databases and it supports data from the Internet. It also enables reading, annotating, and collaborating on collections of full text documents in a seamless way. Using either Write-N-Cite or Reference Citation Manager allows you to place “in-text” citations within the document you are writing when using Microsoft Word.

Offers: folders, sharing, creates References List, attach PDFs, In-text plug-in, variety of citation styles.

Examples to use during class:

1. **Question:** Does Tai Chi improve the balance and gait in patients with mild to moderate Parkinson’s disease?
2. **Question:** What is the best practice for rehabilitation for an elderly person following hip fracture surgery?
3. **Citation:** Jette AM. Moving Research from the Bedside into Practice. Physical therapy. 2016; 96:594-596.
4. **Citation:** Choi H. Effects of therapeutic Tai chi on functional fitness and activities of daily living in patients with Parkinson disease. JER. 2016; 12:499-503.

Notes:
**Tips Searching for Articles:**

1. Make a list of search terms – brainstorm synonyms; the databases will offer subject terms
2. Subject searching, and keyword searching IS different. Subject searching is more focused.
3. For a thorough search you will need to use more than one source or database – searching just Google Scholar will not cut it. 😊
4. PubMed is a good database and worth the time to learn. Accessing via the Library Databases will show the AHU Library Subscriptions logo.

**Database Features:**

1. Most databases have a way to group and save articles together.
2. Don’t forget to use limiters – clinical trial, quantitative, full-text, years etc.
3. Most databases have a search by subject option.
4. There are a few databases that “cite” in AMA style, but you still must know the rules.

**Resource Guides – Physical Therapy related:** [https://libguides.ahu.edu/library](https://libguides.ahu.edu/library)

1. AMA Style [https://libguides.ahu.edu/ama](https://libguides.ahu.edu/ama)
2. Annotated Bibliography [https://libguides.ahu.edu/annotatedbib](https://libguides.ahu.edu/annotatedbib)
3. Digital Object Identifier [https://libguides.ahu.edu/doipage](https://libguides.ahu.edu/doipage)
4. Physical Therapy Program [http://libguides.ahu.edu/physicaltherapyprogram](http://libguides.ahu.edu/physicaltherapyprogram)
5. RefWorks [https://libguides.ahu.edu/refworks](https://libguides.ahu.edu/refworks)
6. Streaming Videos [https://libguides.ahu.edu/streaming_videos](https://libguides.ahu.edu/streaming_videos)

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Guides are also linked in CANVAS under the Library Resources tab in a course.

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