

## *Nursing Subject Headings and Subject Coverage*

### **Subject Headings:**

*CINAHL*® subject headings are used to index the literature contained in the database. These subject headings were developed to reflect the terminology used by nursing and the allied health professionals. *CINAHL* subject headings follow the structure of the Medical Subject Headings, or MeSH, used by the National Library of Medicine. This structure has been used to develop 12,714 *CINAHL* subject headings. These subject headings are used to effectively search the database and retrieve literature citations on a specific topic.

### **Subject Coverage:**

The *CINAHL* database covers nursing and allied health literature from 1981 to the present. Here's a complete list of the disciplines covered.

### **The nursing disciplines covered include the following:**

- Addictions Nursing
- Ambulatory Care Nursing
- Anesthesia Nursing
- Burn Nursing
- Camp Nursing
- Cardiovascular Nursing
- Community Health Nursing
- Community Mental Health Nursing
- Coronary Care Nursing
- Correctional Health Nursing
- Critical Care Nursing
- Dermatology Nursing
- Emergency Nursing
- Enterostomal Therapy Nursing
- Family Nursing
- Flight Nursing
- Forensic Nursing
- Gastroenterology Nursing
- Genetics Nursing
- Gerontologic Nursing
- Geropsychiatric Nursing
- Gynecologic Nursing
- HIV-AIDS Nursing
- Holistic Nursing
- Home Nursing, Professional
- Hospice and Palliative Nursing
- Intravenous Nursing
- Maternal-Child Nursing
- Medical-Surgical Nursing
- Military Nursing
- Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing
- Neonatal Nursing
- Nephrology Nursing
- Neuroscience Nursing
- Nurse Midwifery Nursing
- Obstetric Nursing
- Occupational Health Nursing
- Office Nursing
- Oncologic Nursing
- Ophthalmic Nursing
- Orthopedic Nursing
- Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck
- Parish Nursing
- Pediatric Critical Care Nursing
- Pediatric Nursing
- Pediatric Oncology Nursing
- Perianesthesia Nursing
- Perinatal Nursing
- Perioperative Nursing
- Practical Nursing
- Private Duty Nursing
- Psychiatric Nursing
- Radiological Nursing
- Rehabilitation Nursing
- Respiratory Nursing
- Rural Health Nursing
- School Health Nursing
- Spinal Cord Injury Nursing
- Surgical Nursing, Plastic
- Trauma Nursing
- Urologic Nursing

**The allied health disciplines include the following:**

- Athletic Training
- Audiology
- Cardiopulmonary Technology
- Dental Hygiene
- Emergency Services
- Health Information Management
- Medical Assisting
- Medical/Laboratory Technology
- Nutrition & Dietetics
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation
- Physician Assistants
- Radiologic Technology
- Respiratory Therapy
- Social Service in Health Care
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Surgical Technology

**Other subject areas include the following:**

- AIDS Care
- Alternative/Complementary Medicine
- Behavioral Science
- Biomedicine
- Chiropractic
- Consumer Health
- Gerontology
- Health Promotion and Education
- Health Sciences Librarianship
- Health Services Administration
- Law and Legal Issues in Health Care
- Oncology
- Optometry
- Podiatry
- Women's Health