

GUIDELINES FOR SYSTEMATIC REVIEW/ META - ANALYSIS

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4.	INTRODUCTION 1. If Start Relevant..... 2. Subject of Paper Made Clear..... 3. Importance of Study Made Clear..... 4. Reasons for the Study Stated / rationale 5. International Literature of past 05 years Recorded..... 6. National Literature Reviewed and Recorded..... 7. Reference appropriate..... 8. Word count
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	1. Conclusions justified by the results/findings.....
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	3. Conclusions based on critical argument.....
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	a) Critical appraisal forms
	b) Data extraction forms
	c) Table of included studies
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	e) Justification of excluded studies

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