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# Increasing Access to Information through Journal Clubs

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# Journal Club - why?

- Access to current, relevant information

- Among top-ranked BARRIERS

Time.

Unaware of research.

Relevant literature not compiled in one place.

- Top Knowledge Needs

Converting information needs into a question.

Awareness of information types & sources.

Knowledge of how to retrieve evidence & ability to critique.

# Journal Club - why?

- Access to current, relevant information (game theory)
- An appointed time
- Appreciated by Magnet<sup>®</sup> Status accreditation
- Continuing Education
  - can offer CEUs if 1hr or more  
(encourages participation / progression)
- Friendly, supportive environment of learning together  
(collaborative, communal discovery, leverages users' existing network)

# Journal Club – Models

- ONLINE - vetted from the journal itself

- *ACP Journal Club*

- *Annals of Emergency Medicine*

- *Cochrane Journal Club*

- <http://www.cochranejournalclub.com/vitamin-d-for-children-clinical/#moreinformation>

- ( & Cochrane has Facebook page for discussion)

- IN-PERSON

- Unit-based discussions of articles relevant to the group

- IN THE LIBRARY

- Focus on hospital-wide issues, core measures or patient safety

# Nursing Research News You Can Use

- UC San Diego Cancer Center e-journal club via **YouTube**  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qkTAo0fs-mA>
- Mobile access via smartphones (quick study / time issue)
- Conceptualized & piloted by Cancer Center Nurse & EDR Nurse (initially “Info Push through Technology”)
- New RN - does technical production (PowerDirector \$29)
- Librarian provides literature searches & minor tech support
- And links *through library* to articles discussed & others  
<http://edr.ucsd.edu/Nursing+Research+News+You+Can+Use.htm>
- Adding knowledge quiz – progression/build points

# Ambulatory Care Journal Club

- NP, LVN & Librarian co-host; rotate presenting
- Hosts meet to highlight & discuss ahead of time
- Broad-based for clinic nurses / meets 7:00 a.m.
- Two locations simultaneously, but low tech:
  - Article emailed to participants 1 week prior
  - Powerpoint outline duplicated in both locations
  - Speakerphone
- Offers CEUs – points for attending

# Critical Care Journal Club

- Led by night-shift staff nurse; CNS mentors
- Meets late in the day to accommodate both shifts
- Group chooses next month's subject; I offer literature searches; staff nurse chooses; CNS approves
- Staff RN presents the article & leads the discussion
- All present participate in implications for practice – communal discovery on issues important to their working unit
- Librarian attends for outreach / approachability opportunities



# Invite Yourself – you know this...

- You don't have to know everything or understand everything...*collaborate!*
- Willingness to be a little *uncomfortable* in their environment goes a long way toward advancing information literacy & use of the library's resources
- Be supportive when people express anxiety
- Bring whatever skills you have to it...  
tech? promotion? flyers? literature searches?
- Librarians are a bridge bringing evidence to practice –  
journal clubs facilitate the process.

Discussion ?



Questions ?

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