

**Online Supplementary Material**

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**Supplemental Appendix 1. Search Strategy for Criteria for Qualitative Research in Health Care**

<b>Step</b>	<b>No. of Items Retrieved</b>
1. Search terms: qualitative and research	12,376
2. (Conduct a series of more specific searches) Search terms:	
Qualitative and participatory	262
Qualitative and observation	1,782
Qualitative and conversation	174
Qualitative and discourse	597
Qualitative and narrative	506
Qualitative and focus and group	2,163
Qualitative and interview	8,017
3. All of the items in step 2 were merged using a series of 'OR' commands	11,393
4. The results from step 1 and step 3 were merged using an 'AND' command	4,499
Note: All searches were conducted in the ISI Web of Science database in December 2005 as a series of topic or subject searches and with the help of a librarian.	