**Appendix 1:** Example Search Strategy

Database(s): **Ovid MEDLINE(R)**1946 to present  
Search Strategy:

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| **#** | **Searches** | **Results** |
| 1 | ambulatory care/ or day care, medical/ or emergency services, hospital/ or emergency treatment/ or emergency medical services/ | 162216 |
| 2 | (ambulatory care or medical day care or hospital emergency services or emergency treatment or emergency medical services).ab,ti,kw. | 20918 |
| 3 | Primary Health Care/ or General Practitioners/ or Physicians, Family/ or Family Practice/ | 154084 |
| 4 | (Primary Health Care or General Practitioners or Family Physicians or Family Practice).ab,ti,kw. | 75366 |
| 5 | Rehabilitation/ or "activities of daily living"/ or cardiac rehabilitation/ or early ambulation/ or exp exercise therapy/ or neurological rehabilitation/ or stroke rehabilitation/ | 144017 |
| 6 | (Rehabilitation or activities of daily living or cardiac rehabilitation or early ambulation or exercise therapy or neurological rehabilitation or stroke rehabilitation).ab,ti,kw. | 186410 |
| 7 | Home Care Services/ or Home Care Services, Hospital-Based/ or Home Health Nursing/ or Home Nursing/ or Homemaker Services/ | 43058 |
| 8 | (Home Care Services or Hospital-Based Home Care Services or Home Health Nursing or Home Nursing or Homemaker Services).ab,ti,kw. | 3330 |
| 9 | community health services/ or adult day care centers/ or community health nursing/ or community mental health services/ or community pharmacy services/ or senior centers/ | 72698 |
| 10 | (community health services or adult day care centers or community health nursing or community mental health services or community pharmacy services or senior centers).ab,ti,kw. | 3948 |
| 11 | Health Services for the Aged/ or Health Services for the Aged.ab,ti,kw. | 17852 |
| 12 | residential facilities/ or assisted living facilities/ or homes for the aged/ | 20237 |
| 13 | (residential facilities or assisted living facilities or homes for the aged).ab,ti,kw. | 1927 |
| 14 | Nursing Homes/ or Intermediate Care Facilities/ or Skilled Nursing Facilities/ | 39126 |
| 15 | (Nursing Homes or Intermediate Care Facilities or Skilled Nursing Facilities).ab,ti,kw. | 17107 |
| 16 | exp Self-Help Devices/ or Self-Help Devices.ab,ti,kw. | 11601 |
| 17 | assistive technolog\*.ab,ti,kw. | 2303 |
| 18 | ((ambulatory or outpatient? or home or domiciliary or substitutive or preventive or preventative or community or primary or intermediate or integrated or combined or multidisciplinary) adj2 (care or service? or clinic?)).ab,ti,kw. | 260351 |
| 19 | (reablement or re-ablement).ab,ti,kw. | 102 |
| 20 | ((residential or care or nursing) adj home\*).ab,ti,kw. | 33393 |
| 21 | (sheltered housing or extra care housing or "housing with care" or "Help to live at home" or assisted living).ab,ti,kw. | 2252 |
| 22 | (hospital at home or hospital-at-home or hospital in home or hospital in the home or hospital outreach or (home adj hospital\*) or (day adj hospital\*)).ti,ab,kw. | 5300 |
| 23 | (home-based adj3 hospital-based).ti,ab,kw. | 110 |
| 24 | Hospitals, Community/ or Community Hospitals.ab,ti,kw. | 14169 |
| 25 | comprehensive elderly care.ti,ab,kw. | 3 |
| 26 | (day care or day centre? or day center? or day unit? or medical home care or community centre? or community center? or community care).ti,ab,kw. | 14092 |
| 27 | (rapid response team? or rapid response nurse?).ti,ab,kw. | 817 |
| 28 | (crisis adj2 (response or resolution)).ti,ab,kw. | 441 |
| 29 | or/1-28 | 934882 |
| 30 | social work/ or social work, psychiatric/ | 17567 |
| 31 | (social work or psychiatric social work).ab,ti,kw. | 6608 |
| 32 | Social Workers/ or social workers.ab,ti,kw. | 7514 |
| 33 | social support/ or psychosocial support systems/ | 70834 |
| 34 | (social support or psychosocial support systems).ab,ti,kw. | 37754 |
| 35 | Caregivers/ or Caregivers.ab,ti,kw. | 65689 |
| 36 | (social adj (care or work\* or support or intervention?)).ti,ab,kw. | 57152 |
| 37 | (caring support or enhanced care or personali#ed care or advocate or intensive specialist support or Maximising mobility or Debenhams project or "margins of independent living").ti,ab,kw. | 20293 |
| 38 | (integration pioneer? or Vanguard or red-bag scheme? or "his is me" or named person? or partnership working or double-up team? or "in house social worker?" or "discharge to access" or early MD team assessment? or single shared assessment?).ti,ab,kw. | 1191 |
| 39 | ((complex or substantial or critical or whole) adj need?).ti,ab,kw. | 5678 |
| 40 | or/30-39 | 201019 |
| 41 | 29 or 40 | 1089578 |
| 42 | meta analysis.pt. | 116661 |
| 43 | meta-analysis/ or systematic review/ or meta-analysis as topic/ or "meta analysis (topic)"/ or "systematic review (topic)"/ | 208680 |
| 44 | (meta-analysis or meta analysis or meta-review or metareview or systematic review).ab,ti,kw. | 236813 |
| 45 | ((systematic\* adj3 (review\* or overview\*)) or (methodologic\* adj3 (review\* or overview\*)) or (umbrella adj3 (review\* or overview\*))).ti,ab,kw. | 182172 |
| 46 | ((quantitative adj3 (review\* or overview\* or synthes\*)) or (research adj3 (integrati\* or overview\*))).ti,ab,kw. | 10532 |
| 47 | ((integrative adj3 (review\* or overview\*)) or (collaborative adj3 (review\* or overview\*)) or (pool\* adj3 analy\*)).ti,ab,kw. | 25810 |
| 48 | ((narrative\* or evidence or qualitative or thematic or mixed method? or realist) adj3 (review\* or overview\* or synthes\*)).ti,ab,kw. | 80522 |
| 49 | (meta synthes\* or meta ethnograph\*).ti,ab,kw. | 1331 |
| 50 | (data synthes\* or data extraction\* or data abstraction\*).ti,ab,kw. | 26087 |
| 51 | (handsearch\* or hand search\*).ti,ab,kw. | 9096 |
| 52 | (met analy\* or metanaly\* or technology assessment\* or HTA or HTAs or technology overview\* or technology appraisal\*).ti,ab,kw. | 8655 |
| 53 | (meta regression\* or metaregression\*).ti,ab,kw. | 8549 |
| 54 | or/42-53 | 385613 |
| 55 | 41 and 54 | 33247 |
| 56 | (Algeria$ or Egypt$ or Liby$ or Morocc$ or Tunisia$ or Western Sahara$ or Angola$ or Benin or Botswana$ or Burkina Faso or Burundi or Cameroon or Cape Verde or Central African Republic or Chad or Comoros or Congo or Djibouti or Eritrea or Ethiopia$ or Gabon or Gambia$ or Ghana or Guinea or Keny$ or Lesotho or Liberia or Madagasca$ or Malawi or Mali or Mauritania or Mauritius or Mayotte or Mozambiq$ or Namibia$ or Niger or Nigeria$ or Reunion or Rwand$ or Saint Helena or Senegal or Seychelles or Sierra Leone or Somalia or South Africa$ or Sudan or Swaziland or Tanzania or Togo or Ugand$ or Zambia$ or Zimbabw$ or China or Chinese or Hong Kong or Macao or Mongolia$ or Taiwan$ or Belarus or Moldov$ or Russia$ or Ukraine or Afghanistan or Armenia$ or Azerbaijan or Bahrain or Cyprus or Cypriot or Georgia$ or Iran$ or Iraq$ or Israel$ or Jordan$ or Kazakhstan or Kuwait or Kyrgyzstan or Leban$ or Oman or Pakistan$ or Palestin$ or Qatar or Saudi Arabia or Syria$ or Tajikistan or Turkmenistan or United Arab Emirates or Uzbekistan or Yemen or Bangladesh$ or Bhutan or British Indian Ocean Territory or Brunei Darussalam or Cambodia$ or India$ or Indonesia$ or Lao or People's Democratic Republic or Malaysia$ or Maldives or Myanmar or Nepal or Philippin$ or Singapore or Sri Lanka or Thai$ or Timor Leste or Vietnam or Albania$ or Andorra or Bosnia$ or Herzegovina$ or Bulgaria$ or Croatia$ or Estonia or Faroe Islands or Greenland or Liechtenstein or Lithuani$ or Macedonia or Malta or maltese or Romania or Serbia$ or Montenegro or Slovenia or Svalbard or Argentina$ or Belize or Bolivia$ or Brazil$ or chile or Chilean or Colombia$ or Costa Rica$ or Cuba or Ecuador or El Salvador or French Guiana or Guatemala$ or Guyana or Haiti or Honduras or Jamaica$ or Nicaragua$ or Panama or Paraguay or Peru or Puerto Rico or Suriname or Uruguay or Venezuela or developing countr$ or south America$).ti,sh. | 1405730 |
| 57 | child/ or infant/ or adolescent/ or maternal health services/ | 3135945 |
| 58 | (case report or case study or letter or editorial or expert opinion or comment).pt. | 1843439 |
| 59 | or/56-58 | 5882642 |
| 60 | 55 not 59 | 28027 |
| 76 | limit 60 to (english language and humans and yr="2013 -Current") | 13992 |