Literature Search  
**ACR Appropriateness Criteria®** 
Postmenopausal Subacute or Chronic Pelvic Pain

Literature Search Performed on 1/20/2017  
Beginning Date: January 2006  
End Date: December 2016

Database: Epub Ahead of Print, In-Process & Other Non-Indexed Citations, Ovid MEDLINE(R) Daily and Ovid MEDLINE(R) <1946 to Present>

Search Strategy:

1. subacute pelvic pain.mp. (8)  
2. Pelvic Pain/ or chronic pelvic pain.mp. (6335)  
3. Varicose Veins/ and Ovary/ (161)  
4. Varicose Veins/ and Pelvis/ (240)  
5. pelvic congestion syndrome.mp. (216)  
6. Tissue Adhesions/ and Pelvic Pain/ (165)  
7. chronic pelvi pain adhesions.mp. (0)  
8. cervical stenosis.mp. (559)  
9. vaginal atrophy.mp. (512)  
10. Vaginismus/ (117)  
11. Cysts/ and Vulva/ (44)  
12. Cysts/ and Vagina/ (154)  
13. Vulvodynia/ (299)  
14. Myofascial Pain Syndromes/ and Pelvic Pain/ (50)  
15. pelvic myofascial pain.mp. (1)  
16. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 (8275)  
17. exp Diagnostic Imaging/ (2317277)  
18. 11 or 12 (190)  
19. 16 and 17 (946)  
20. 18 or 19 (1096)  
21. limit 20 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2006 -Current") (454)  
22. Male/ (8357653)  
23. Pregnancy/ (871475)  
24. Endometriosis/ (20787)  
25. treatment.mp. or Therapeutics/ (4406874)  
26. Prostate/ (35541)  
27. 21 not (22 or 23 or 24 or 25 or 26) (148)  
28. remove duplicates from 27 (126)  
29. vaginal cysts.mp. (47)  
30. vulva cysts.mp. (9)  
31. 29 or 30 (56)  
32. limit 31 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (6)  
33. 31 not 32 (50)  
34. 28 or 33 (173)  
35. remove duplicates from 34 (170)  

Literature Search Summary

A literature search was conducted in January 2017 to identify evidence for the ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Postmenopausal Subacute or Chronic Pelvic Pain topic. Using the search strategy described above, 170 articles were found. Twenty-five unique articles were used in the topic. The remaining articles were not used due to either poor study design, the articles were not relevant or generalizable to the topic, or the results were unclear or biased.

The author added 11 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search, including 3 articles outside of the search date range.

Two citations are supporting documents that were added by staff.