

## Literature Search

### ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Assessment of Gravid Cervix

Literature Search Performed on: 7/17/2013

Beginning Date: January 2010

End Date: June 2013

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) without Revisions <1996 to July Week 1 2013>

Search Strategy:

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- 1 Obstetric Labor, Premature/ (5722)
  - 2 Uterine Cervical Incompetence/ (441)
  - 3 Pregnancy/ and Cervix Uteri/ (2504)
  - 4 Cervix Uteri/us [Ultrasonography] (731)
  - 5 exp Ultrasonography, Prenatal/ (19095)
  - 6 (1 or 2 or 3 or 4) and 5 (685)
  - 7 limit 6 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2010 -Current") (141)
  - 8 limit 7 to case reports (11)
  - 9 7 not 8 (130)

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**Notes:**

exp = explode (retrieves results using the selected term and all of its more specific terms)

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#### Literature Search Summary

Of the 47 citations in the original bibliography, 10 were retained in the final document. Articles were removed from the original bibliography if they were more than 10 years old and did not contribute to the evidence or they were no longer cited in the revised narrative text.

A new literature search was conducted in July 2013 to identify additional evidence published since the *ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Assessment of Gravid Cervix* topic was finalized. Using the search strategy described above, 130 articles were found. Five articles were added to the bibliography. One hundred twenty-five articles were not used due to either poor study design, the articles were not relevant or generalizable to the topic, the results were unclear, misinterpreted, or biased, or the articles were already cited in the original bibliography.

The author added 21 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search.

Four citations are supporting documents that were added by staff.