Literature Search
ACR Appropriateness Criteria®
Suspected Pulmonary Hypertension

Literature Search Performed on: 6/2/2015
Beginning Date: January 2011
End Date: May 2015

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

Search Strategy:
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1   *Hypertension, Pulmonary/ (19323)
2   exp diagnostic imaging/ (1802227)
3   1 and 2 (3424)
4   *Hypertension, Pulmonary/cl, ra, ri, us [Classification, Radiography, Radionuclide Imaging, Ultrasonography] (903)
5   3 or 4 (3677)
6   limit 5 to "all child (0 to 18 years)" (833)
7   5 not 6 (2844)
8   limit 7 to (abstracts and english language and humans and yr="2011 -Current") (606)
9   limit 8 to case reports (63)
10  8 not 9 (543)
11  remove duplicates from 10 (510)

Literature Search Summary
Of the 90 citations in the original bibliography, 61 were retained in the final document.

A literature search was conducted in June 2015 to identify additional evidence published since the ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Suspected Pulmonary Hypertension topic was finalized. Using the search strategy described above, 510 articles were found. Twenty-seven articles were added to the bibliography. Four articles were not used as they were duplicates already cited in the original bibliography. 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 22 citations from bibliographies, websites, or books that were not found in the literature search, including 17 articles outside of the search date range.

Four citations are supporting documents that were added by staff.