

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

Literature Search Performed on: 07/24/2024

Beginning Date: January 2017

End Date: June 2024

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL <1946 to July 23, 2024>

Search Strategy

- 1 (subacute pelvic pain or pelvic pain or chronic pelvic pain).ti,ab,kw. (12329)
- 2 varicose veins/ and (ovary/ or pelvis/) (354)
- 3 (pelvic congestion syndrome or chronic pelvic pain adhesions or cervical stenosis or vaginal atrophy or pelvic myofascial pain).ti,ab,kw. (2021)
- 4 tissue adhesions/ and pelvic pain/ (176)
- 5 cysts/ and (vulva/ or vagina/) (200)
- 6 vaginismus/ or vulvodynia/ or myofascial pain syndromes/ (2835)
- 7 6 and pelvic pain/ (152)
- 8 exp diagnostic imaging/ (2983173)
- 9 8 and (1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 7) (1856)
- 10 limit 9 to (abstracts and humans) (1696)
- 11 ("case reports" or "clinical conference" or comment or congress or editorial or letter or news).pt. or ("case report*" or comment* or editorial or letter or news).ti. or ((protocol and (study or trial)) not ("therapy protocol*" or "treatment protocol*")).ti. (4918745)
- 12 10 not 11 (1184)
- 13 clinical protocols/ or Consensus/ or "Consensus Development Conference".pt. or "Consensus Development Conference, NIH".pt. or Consensus Development Conferences as Topic/ or Consensus Development Conferences, NIH as Topic/ or critical pathway/ or guidelines as topic/ or practice guidelines as topic/ or Health Planning Guidelines/ or practice guideline/ or (clinical adj3 pathway).ti,ab,kf. or (clinical adj3 pathways).ti,ab,kf. or (practice adj3 parameter).ti,ab,kf. or (practice adj3 parameters).ti,ab,kf. or algorithms/ or (care adj2 pathway).ti,ab,kf. or (care adj2 pathways).ti,ab,kf. or guidance.ti,ab. or guideline*.ti,ab. (1149808)
- 14 9 and 13 (117)
- 15 male/ or pregnancy/ or endometriosis/ or prostate/ or therapeutics/ (10413147)
- 16 12 not 15 (541)
- 17 16 or 14 (619)
- 18 limit 17 to yr="2017 -Current" (207)
- 19 18 or 14 (286)
- 20 limit 19 to english language (271)

Summary

Source	Excluded	Included in document	Included in Evidence Table
Old Bib	24	14	12
Lit Search 1,2,3...	255	15	12
Hand Search	NA	0	0
Author Added	NA	3	2
Guidance Documents	NA	0	0
Total	279	32	26

References from the literature search that were not retained had a poor study design, were not relevant to the topic, or had unclear or biased results.