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**NURS 444: Evidence-Based Nursing Practice**

**Evidence-Based Practice Assignment Part II**

PICOT Search Assignment 50 points

**Assignment Outcomes**

1. Identify credible sources of information, including but not limited to databases and Internet resources
2. Participate in the collection, documentation, and dissemination of evidence.
3. **PICO(T) Question (5 points)**

**Restate your finalized PICOT question from Part I** using the below template format.

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| **Question Type** | **Question Format** |
| **THERAPY/TREATMENT/INTERVENTION/** |  In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**P**opulation), what is the effect of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**I**ntervention) in comparison to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**C**omparative/alternate intervention), on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**O**utcome)? |
| **DIAGNOSIS/ASSESSMENT** | For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**P**opulation), does \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**I**dentifyingtool/procedure) yield more accurate or more appropriate diagnostic/assessment information than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**C**omparative tool/procedure) about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**O**utcome)? |
|  **ETIOLOGY/HARM** |   In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**P**opulation), what is the effect of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**I**ntervention) in comparison to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (**C**omparative/alternate intervention), on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(**O**utcome)? |

1. **PICOT Search/Review of Literature**

Related to your PICO(T) question,

1) search for THREE primary journal articles and

2) for each article clearly and succinctly discuss, in formal writing format, the study article elements (outlined below)

* Purpose of the Study
* Study Design (Qualitative/Quantitative)
* Model or Theory Used if applicable
* Level of Evidence on Pyramid
* IRB Approval
* Dependent Variable(s)
* Independent Variable(s)
* Number of Subjects
* Instruments Used
* Time Period
* Summary of Study Results
* Describe how this contributes to your PICO(T) question

**\*Formal Writing Format Expectations**

* Title page
* Page numbers
* Correct use of title and headings (and subheadings as appropriate)
* Correct fonts, spacing, and margins
* Citations and a reference list correctly completed using APA style (7th edition)
* Writing Intensive Expectations
	+ **Focus** — The paper addresses the assignment/answers the question. There is a thesis, main idea, or hypothesis that holds the paper together.
	+ **Organization** — The paper is cohesively organized, making effective use of paragraphs and transitions, or other appropriate genre conventions.
	+ **Development** — The paper provides sufficient evidence to support the over-all thesis or answer the question. Topic sentences for each paragraph are adequately supported.
	+ **Clarity** — Sentences are clear and effectively punctuated (appropriate diction, no run-ons, fragments, misspellings, or grammar errors).
	+ **Voice** — The tone is professional and informative (not stuffy, preachy, whiny, or filled with slang).
	+ ***This assignment is to be approximately 1500 words in total.***