**PICO and Search Strategy Worksheet**

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| Write your research topic here |

1. Define your question using **PICO**: Population, Intervention, Comparison, and Outcome based on your research design

Quantitative

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| **P**opulation/Patient/  Problem: |  |
| **I**ntervention: |  |
| **C**omparison/Control: |  |
| **O**utcome: |  |

Qualitative

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| **P**opulation/Patient/  Problem: |  |
| Phenomenon of **I**nterest: |  |
| **C**ontext |  |
| **O**utcome: |  |

2. Would you be applying any limits to for your search? (Double click on the checkbox to select your options)

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| **Limits** | **Yes** | **No** |
| Age | Please specify: |  |
| Year of publication | Please specify: |  |
| Language | Please specify: |  |
| Others | Please specify: | |

3. Select the study design used in your research (Double click on the checkbox to select your option)

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| Meta-Analysis |  |
| Systematic Review |  |
| **Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs)** |  |
| Cohort Study |  |
| Case series or Case Report |  |
| Animal Research |  |
| In Vitro/Lab Research |  |
| Editorials, Letters, Opinions |  |

4. Select the databases you have performed your search (Double click on the checkbox to select your options)

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| Medline (Ovid) |  |
| Embase (Ovid) |  |
| PubMed |  |
| CINAHL |  |
| Cochrane Library |  |
| Web of Science |  |
| UpToDate |  |
| Clinical Key |  |
| BioMed Central |  |
| Others: | |

5. State three highly relevant articles (titles) you will use for your research topic

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| (3) |

6. Write your reflection here (e.g.: challenges, search difficulties, search terms etc.)

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**Thank you**

*Please submit a completed form to your medical librarian before attending any student consultation sessions*