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InfoPOEMs Search Guide

<http://www.library.mun.ca/hsl/guides/infopoemsguide.pdf>

About InfoPOEMs

InfoPOEMs: the clinical awareness system is an evidence-based resource designed to help clinicians find the best information when and where they need it -- at point of care. It can be installed on Palm OS or Pocket PC handheld devices.

There are two components: InfoRetriever and Poems.

1. InfoRetriever includes access to the following databases:

Griffith's 5 Minute Clinical Consult

Practice Guidelines

Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews
(abstracts only)

Clinical Rules and Calculators

History and Physical Test Calculators

POEMs

Diagnostic Test Calculators

Additional resources include ICD9 codes, a photo atlas and patient handouts.

2. POEMs – Patient Oriented Evidence that Matters.

This database includes more than 2,600 brief, evidence-based summaries of original research articles and systematic reviews from more than 100 journals.

Each POEM includes:

Clinical Question

Bottom Line with Level of Evidence (LOE)

Reference or journal citation

Study Design

Setting and Synopsis


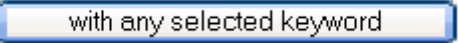




To Start




1. Go to <http://www.library.mun.ca/hsl>
2. If you are off-campus, click on the Off-Campus Login icon at the top right of the Library page and follow the instructions.
3. Click **Health Databases**
4. Click **InfoPOEMs**

Tips

Help	Click Getting Started or <i>Help and Hints</i>
Truncation	No truncation
Combining Terms	Do NOT use the Boolean operators and , or , not . Multiple terms are And'd. Quote marks are ignored.











Searching (Web version)

1. Search all the databases via the InfoRetriever Search screen.
 - a. Enter a term(s) such as disease, symptom or drug in search box., e.g. breast feeding sudden infant death acne prednisone difficulty swallowing
 - b. For a broader search, select the keyword + fulltext search option.
 - c. Click  to run the search.
 - d. Select one or more of the keywords displayed.
 - e. Click  or  to run the search and display the results.
 - f. To perform a new search of all the databases click  or .
2. To browse a list of keywords used in the system, click  and begin entering a term or scroll through the list and click on a term.



If you do not find the desired term, use . For example, Appendicitis is not listed. The keyword is Acute Appendicitis.
3. To search the InfoPOEMS database only, click .
4. To search any individual database click .

Search Results

1. The results from multiple databases are displayed in a standard format and include links under such headings as:
 - Overviews and practice guidelines
 - Treatment
 - Diagnosis
 - Screening and Prevention
 - Prognosis
 - Epidemiology
 - Practice Administration/Health Systems
 - Education
2. The following icons indicate the data base or type of information:

	5 Minute Clinical Consult
	Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (abstracts)
	InfoPOEMS
	Clinical Rules and Calculators
	Drugs of Choice/ Practice Guidelines
	Patient Education Handout
	Diagnostic Tests
	History and Physical Examination
	Number Needed to Treat
	Photo Atlas

Each item in the results list includes the LOE – Level of Evidence.

For a list of the levels click  and then .

3. Click on a link to view the text.
4. From an InfoPOEM summary, click on  to view the original abstract and link to full-text for our holdings.
5. To return to the list of search results, click [\[Last Search Results\]](#).

Printing/Saving/Emailing

Click [Printer Friendly](#).

From the browser File drop-down menu select Print, Save As, or Send and then Page by Email.

Installing on Palm OS or Pocket PC devices

Click [Getting Started](#).

Click the link Installing InfoRetreiver on Palm OS (or Pocket PC) device.

Follow the instructions.

You must register or access to InfoRetriever will cease in 30 days.

DailyPOEMs

To receive daily InfoPOEMs as email alerts, contact the [information desk](#) and provide:

your name

email address

affiliation

telephone number

delivery method (daily or monthly)

format (html or plain text)

Exit

To exit, close browser.

For more information or to book a training session, contact the [information desk](#). (777-6672)