

APA Examples for CINAHL Database

READ THIS: The main difference in citations for scholarly journal articles from library databases is the number of authors. See multiple-author examples in the next section.

In the text (examples). Authors must be cited in the paper and in the reference list. The citation requires the name(s) of the author(s) and the year. A citation for content quoted word for word also includes a page number.

The author's name can be included in a sentence as shown in this example:

According to Smith (2010), high-risk patients should be monitored regularly.

The author's name also can be included inside the parentheses with the publication year.

High-risk patients should be monitored regularly (Smith, 2010).

A verbatim quote also requires quotation marks and a page number.

High-risk patients should be "monitored regularly" (Smith, 2010, p. 3).

In the references list (example). The example shown above illustrates APA style for a scholarly journal retrieved from a library database.

Hohler, S. E. (2008). Total knee arthroplasty: Past successes and current improvements. *AORN Journal*, 87(1), 143-162. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

Note: Journal articles do not always have an **issue number**, e.g., "(1)" in this example.

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Other tips:

- If an exact example is not available, find the closest example and modify it.
- Your paper and references list must be double-spaced.
- Deviations from the official *APA Handbook* were personally okayed by APA's style experts.
- Journal article citations from databases other than CINAHL will be the same except for the database name.
- DOI (Digital Object Identifier) numbers. Some articles have DOI numbers. If a DOI number has been assigned, it can be found in the article record in CINAHL. See the first example to see a citation with a DOI number.

In-text citation examples (in the body of the paper)

ONE AUTHOR, paraphrased content examples (two ways to cite it)

- See the in-text examples above.

TWO AUTHORS, direct quotation examples (page number required for direct quotes)

- According to Jones and Harlow (2011), nurses who regularly encounter diabetic patients can play a "central role" in identifying early cognitive impairment (p. 427).
- Nurses who regularly encounter diabetic patients can play a "central role" in identifying early cognitive impairment (Jones & Harlow, 2011, p. 427).

THREE to FIVE AUTHORS (first and later mentions)

- On the first mention only, include all authors.

According to Fisher, Davis, McLean, and Le Couteur (2005), elderly patients living in an institutional setting such as a nursing home are at increased risk for falls.

- For later mentions, use the first author's name with "et al." ("Et al." means "and others.")

Fisher et al. (2005) identified several novel potential risk factors for falls.

SIX or MORE AUTHORS (all mentions)

- According to O'Shea et al. (2010), high-risk patients should be monitored regularly.
- High-risk patients should be monitored regularly (O'Shea et al., 2010).

Reference list examples

ONE AUTHOR, DOI number included (Some articles have the DOI, and some don't.)

Wong, E. (2009). Novel techniques for the Rapid Response System. *International Journal of Nursing*, 20(2), 53-63. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database. doi:10.1111/j.1744-618X.2009.01116.x

TWO AUTHORS

Pritchard, M., & Velayudhan, L. (2011). Early recognition of cognitive impairment in people with diabetes: Role of primary care nurses. *British Journal of Neuroscience Nursing*, 7, 426-428. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

THREE to SEVEN AUTHORS

Fisher, A. A., Davis, M. W., McLean, A. J., & Le Couteur, D. G. (2005). Epidemiology of falls in elderly semi-independent residents in residential care. *Australasian Journal on Ageing*, 24(2), 98-102. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

EIGHT or MORE AUTHORS

Give the last name and initials for all authors up to and including seven authors. If the work has more than seven authors, list the first six and then use ellipses (. . .). After the ellipses, list the last author's name of the work.

Lusardi, P., Jodka, P., Stambovsky, M., Stadnicki, B., Babb, B., Plouffe, D., . . . Montonye, M. (2011). The going home initiative: Getting critical care patients home with hospice. *Critical Care Nurse*, 31, 46-57. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

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Borthwick, S. (2012). Communication impairment in patients following stroke. *Nursing Standard*, 26(19), 35- 41. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

Fisher, A. A., & Davis, M. W. (2010). Analysis of falls in elderly patients. *Journal on Ageing*, 24, 98-102. Retrieved from CINAHL Plus with Full Text database.

Howe, M.A. (2011). Managing the transfer to hospice care. *Journal of Geriatrics*, 6, 30-33.