

## Appendix 1. Search Strategy Example: Ovid (MEDLINE)

	<b>Search Strategy</b>	<b>Articles Retrieved</b>
1	post abortion care.mp.	111
2	postabortion care.mp.	114
3	post-abortion care.mp.	111
4	comprehensive abortion care.mp.	19
5	postabortion.mp.	677
6	post-abortion.mp.	508
7	post abortion.mp.	508
8	1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7	1159
9	contraception/	17242
10	contracept*.tw.	56161
11	family planning/	23264
12	family planning.tw.	17647
13	(sexual and reproductive health information).mp.	67
14	(sexual and reproductive health and rights).mp.	492
15	9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14	77925
16	developing country/	67790
17	low-and middle-income countries.mp.	3330
18	15 or 16	137164
19	8 and 15 and 18	556
20	limit 19 to (English language and full text and yr="2000 - 2015")	<b>26</b>

The 20 step Medline (OVID) search strategy yielded 26 relevant articles. The example and search terminology were used as a framework for subsequent ProQuest, Science Direct, Web of Science, PUBMED and CINAHL database searches.

### **Ovid (MEDLINE) Search Strategy Key<sup>1</sup>:**

**<term>.mp.** The fields searched by a .mp. include Title, Original Title, Abstract, Subject Heading, Name of Substance, and Registry Word fields.

**<term>/** In databases with a controlled vocabulary this command searches a known subject heading directly, bypassing mapping.

**<term>\* or <term>\$** Unlimited truncation retrieves all possible suffix variations of the root word indicated.

**<term>tw** The Text Word (TW) index is an alias for all of the fields in a database which contain text words and which are appropriate for a subject search. The Textword index in Ovid MEDLINE (R) includes Title (TI) and Abstract (AB).

1. Ovid MEDLINE 2016 Database Guide. Secondary 2016 Database Guide 2016.

<http://ospguides.ovid.com/OSPguides/medline.htm#stopwords>.