

# Dental Assisting/Hygiene Oral Disease Pathfinder

## **Step 1:**

**MedlinePlus:** Is a medical databases produced by the National Institute of Health and the National Library of Medicine. <http://medlineplus.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/>

**Use MedlinePlus to identify:** Causes, Symptoms, Exams and Tests, Treatment, Prognosis, Possible Complications and Prevention. A brief understandable paragraph will be provided for each element. MedlinePlus Health Topics will provide Latest News, Disease Management, Pictures, Statistics, and Journal Articles.

### **Directions from the library page:**

Click Databases and Journals. Next click Electronic Articles. Scroll down and click Medline Plus.

Step 1: Click on Health Topics and then click on Mouth and Teeth to identify oral diseases. Example: Gum Disease.

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**Step 2:** Return to the MedlinePlus main screen and click on **Medical Encyclopedia**. Locate your research topic disease using the A-Z listing.

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## **Databases:**

### **Directions from the library page:**

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### **Step 1: EBSCO**

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#### Click on **Dentistry and Oral Sciences Source**

*Dentistry & Oral Science Source* covers all facets relating to the areas of dentistry including dental public health, endodontics, facial pain & surgery, odontology, oral & maxillofacial pathology/surgery/radiology, orthodontology, pediatric dentistry, periodontology, and prosthodontics. The database is updated weekly on EBSCOhost.

Type your search term in the Find box. For example: **Periodontitis and Treatment**. Always use the word **AND** to link your search terms. Key your searches simple and direct and use the following limit options to retrieve the most relevant and current articles. A date limiter is located on the right hand side of the search screen. Set your dates for this month and year to five years ago January. Then change the number of pages box from All to Greater than and place a 2 in the box. Click search and if more than 50 articles appear, click the Sort by menu to sort your articles by abstract.

Click on any article whose title interests you and read the abstract (a summary statement) to determine the article's value to your research. Articles will be available in either HTML or PDF format.

To locate the APA article citation: click on an article from your retrieved article list. Click on the yellow paper icon located at the top of the screen adjacent to the printer and email icons. The citation formats will appear for you to copy and paste into your works cited page.

Mombelli, A. (2006, September). Heresy? Treatment of chronic periodontitis with systemic antibiotics only. *Journal of Clinical Periodontology*, pp. 661,662. Retrieved September 22, 2009, doi:10.1111/j.1600-051X.2006.00976.x

### **Step 2: ProQuest**

Home Access: **truckee123**

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Use the ProQuest database to find citations to articles in the **Journal of the American Dental Association**. At the ProQuest basic search screen click on the green **Advanced** search tab located at the top of the screen. At the next screen change Citation and Abstract to Publication Title. Type **Journal of the American Dental** in the search box. In the next **citation and abstract** find box type your search term. Click search to retrieve the results. Read the abstract and print the citation information. Proceed to the dental journal shelves to locate the article.