Advanced Searching on MEDLINE and CINAHL Databases Help Sheet

This help sheet demonstrates how to use the Suggest Subject Terms and Search History features to build an Advanced search in the MEDLINE and CINAHL databases on EBSCOhost.

2. Choose a medical research database such as a MEDLINE or CINAHL database.
3. Type your search term in the search box and check the **Suggest Subject Terms** box.

![Search Screen](image)

4. Click the **Search** button.
   
The Headings screen is displayed.

![Headings Screen](image)

5. Check the box next to the most relevant subject term from the suggested options:

![Suggested Headings](image)

6. Follow the blue line and decide whether to Explode and restrict to a Major Concept and decide whether to **Include All Subheadings**.

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7. Click **Search Database**.

   A result list of items matching your selected subject term is displayed.

8. Type a second term into the search box and repeat Steps 5 through 7 on the Headings screen.

9. Combine the two terms you have searched by checking the boxes and click the **Search with AND** button.
10. Use the limiters in the **Limit to** area in the left-hand column to reduce your results to a more manageable selection.

Click **Show More** to view all available limiters.

11. Select the limiters you want to apply to your search and click **Search** at the top or bottom of this page.

An updated result list is displayed.