

Vendor's Response To
CCL-EAR Review of CINAHL

To: Chris Hurst
From: Paula Kepos
Re: CCL Review of CINAHL
Date: 28 August 2000

Chris:

Thanks so much for the CCL comments on CINAHL. That was the single most exhaustive review we have had to date, and I really appreciate the time that your customers put into it. I had a few comments about particular items that you may want to share with the group.

Paula

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CINAHL APPEARS NOT TO OFFER A SUBJECT LIST.

Sure it does. CINAHL offers not only a drop-down menu of fields, but also a browseable thesaurus. (Try the "Advanced" search mode.)

I HAVE HAD PROBLEMS WITH RECENT AND SAVED SEARCHES, POSSIBLY CAUSED BY JAVASCRIPT/MACINTOSH/BROWSER VERSION INCOMPATIBILITIES.

OopsÑsounds like a bug. We will fix it.

CINAHL IS NOT LINKED TO SITEBUILDER.

ProQuest Nursing Journals uses SiteBuilder, so you can link directly to full-text articles.

I HAVE HAD TIME OUTS (AND) I'VE HAD PRINTING PROBLEMS.

These were bugs and we fixed them.

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