



Interagency Council on
Information Resources in Nursing

Essential Nursing Resources

Premier Product of the Interagency Council on Information Resources in Nursing

What is Essential Nursing Resources (ENR)?

- List of print and e-resources to support nursing practice, education, administration and research activities
- Collaborative effort of ICIRN representatives
- Sections include:
Alerting Services; Bioethics; Alternative Medicine; Patient Education; Cultural Competency; Databases and Indexes; Dictionaries; Drugs, Toxicology; Education; Grants; History of Nursing; Informatics; Patient Safety; Public Health; Statistics; and Writers' Guides.

ENR is used for:

- Finding essential print and e-resources for nurses
- Clinical information seeking
- Nursing collection development
- Satisfying ANA standard of practice for nurses
- Teaching tool
- Professional and academic research



What is the Interagency Council on Information Resources in Nursing (ICIRN)?

- www.icirn.org
- Founded 1960
Celebrating our 50th anniversary in 2010
- Voluntary group of organizations:
 - Providing library and information resources for nurses
 - Improving library services for all nurses
 - Promoting information literacy for nursing
- Products and Activities
 - ENR, produced biennially
 - Supports research on information literacy of nurses for evidence-based nursing practice.
Pravikoff, DS, Tanner AB, Pierce S. Readiness of U.S. nurses for evidence-based practice. *American Journal of Nursing* 2005 Sep;105(9):40-51
- Members: ANA, NLN, MLA, AMIA Nursing Informatics Working Group, NLM, NYSNA, STTI and more!

Where can I find ENR?

- ENR 25th edition, 2009
- PDF and HTML versions linked from the ICIRN website:
www.icirn.org/Homepage/Essential-Nursing-Resources.aspx
- Schnall, Janet G. and June Levy, Eds. Essential nursing resources. 2009 Sep/Oct; *Nursing Education Perspectives* 30(5):318-327. nln.allenpress.com/pdfserv/i1536-5026-030-05-0318.pdf

