

Narrative Review Checklist

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TITLE				
Title	1	Identify the report as a Narrative Review or Literature Review.	P1/L3-4	Title Page/P2
ABSTRACT				
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary with the subsections as: objective, background, methods, conclusion (1).	P1-2/L28-54	Abstract/P1
INTRODUCTION				
Rationale/background	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known.	P2-3/L62-74	Introduction/P1
Objectives	4	Specify the key question(s) identified for the review topic.	P3/L74-77	Introduction/P1
METHODS				
Research selection	5	Specify the process for identifying the literature search (eg, years considered, language, publication status, study design, and databases of coverage).	P3-4/L81-119	Methods/P1-3
DISCUSSION/SUMMARY				
Narrative	6	Discuss: 1) research reviewed including fundamental or key findings, 2) limitations and/or quality of research reviewed, and 3) need for future research.	P4-11/L123-351	Discussion/P1-12
Summary	7	Provide an overall interpretation of the narrative review in the context of clinical practice and/or the Nutrition Care Process for registered dietitian nutritionists, clinical practice for other health professionals, policy development and implementation, or future research.	P11-12/L353-367	Discussion/P13

Reference

1. Green BN, Johnson CD, Adams A. Writing narrative literature reviews for peer-reviewed journals: secrets of the trade. J Sports Chiropr Rehabil 2001;15:5-19.