Narrative Review Checklist

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TITLE				
Title	1	Identify the report as a Narrative Review or Literature Review.	Page 1, line 5	Title, abstract (methods)
ABSTRACT				
Structured summary	2	Provide a structured summary with the subsections as: objective, background, methods, conclusion (1).	Page 2-3 lines 38-76	Section - abstract
INTRODUCTION				
Rationale/background	3	Describe the rationale for the review in the context of what is already known.	Page 4, line 91-94	Introduction paragraphs 1
Objectives	4	Specify the key question(s) identified for the review topic.	Page 4, line 94-95	Introduction, paragraph 2
METHODS				
Research selection	5	Specify the process for identifying the literature search (eg, years considered, language, publication status, study design, and databases of coverage).	Page 2, line 56- 59	Abstract
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.	Page 9-11, line 211 - 257	'Use of ESAs in HNSCC patients'
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.	Page 12-13, line 262-282	'Conclusions and future directions' and 'Take home messages'

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.

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