**A Template for the Summaries of Levels III, IV, and V Evidence**

1. Answer each question below.
2. Use complete sentences.
3. **Use past tense**
4. **Mention details using paraphrases rather than quotes.**
5. Include citations and references for your authors and *The Hopkins Scale*
6. Go through this process for each of the studies (articles)
7. When you are done, delete the questions. You will be left with a draft of your summary. Polish it by editing.

**Template**

Each summary/critique should be as concise as possible. The summary should include enough detail to “tell the story” about the study using sufficient detail so that the reader can easily understand it

**Summary (Delete this subtitle in your final edited version.)**

1. What was the purpose of the study or expert opinion? Include name(s) of author(s) in the first sentence.
2. Where was the study conducted?

1. Name and describe the design (phenomenological, ethnographic, grounded theory, expert opinion, etc.)
2. Name and briefly describe any themes identified. For easy reading, place the themes in italics
3. If there are no themes, then summarize the expert’s opinion in as few sentences as possible.
4. What are the key takeaways from this piece of evidence

**Critique (Delete this subtitle in your final edited version.)**

1. Comment subjectively on what you described above. The most important aspects can be expressed in one sentence. E.g. “Based on *The Johns Hopkins Level of Evidence* appraisal, this is level \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (insert level and quality of evidence) work by Jones and Smith (2023) is credible and has the potential to contribute to evidence-based nursing practice in the care of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”
2. Describe the trustworthiness of these findings and if you believe they can be translated to your setting You can use “without hesitation”, “with caution”, or “with extreme caution”.

\*Fictitious. Add your authors.

**References**

Add your references here.

PS: 8/18/2024