APA Referencing – Nursing Resources - Difficult Examples

Some of the nursing books are particularly difficult to reference because they are adaptations, or have many editors and/or authors. The information on the title page is often unclear or confusing. Here are examples of some of the resources you may use.

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Craft, J. A. Understanding pathophysiology (Chapter from the book)

Evans, K. Psychiatric and mental health nursing (Chapter from the book)
The people listed on the title page are not the authors of all the chapters; each chapter has separate authors listed. On page ix, the people named on the title page are listed as editors, so this is, in fact, an edited book with chapters by individual authors.


Health assessment in nursing (Chapter from the book)
The information on the title page is confusing. The original (5th) US edition by Weber and Kelly has been extensively re-written by various people, listed on page v, and Lewis and Foley have edited the entire book. Therefore Weber and Kelly's names are not included in the reference.


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Pillitteri’s child and family health nursing in Australia and New Zealand (Chapter from the book)

The original US edition by Adele Pillitteri has been extensively rewritten and adapted for Australasia by various authors, listed on page iv, and Christine Haley has edited the entire book.


Potter & Perry’s fundamentals of nursing (Chapter from the book)

Databases/Online Resources

Newsletter


Resources from a DHB

Forms, plans, etc. obtained from a DHB need to remain anonymous, so a reference from a DHB intranet would be, e.g.


Resources from Lippincott Procedures

Eyedrop administration. (n.d.). Retrieved from Lippincott Procedures (New Zealand ed.) database. In text: ... (“Eyedrop Administration”, n.d.) ...

Resources from MedSafe


Resources from the NZ Health Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal


Resources from the Nursing Reference Center Plus

The resources on this database include evidence-based practice sheets and quick lessons. They are a bit tricky, as they are not journal articles, but many do have authors, date and title. It is suggested that the entire date be included, where possible, as these are updated regularly. Examples of the evidence-based care sheets are as follows:


The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

The articles on this are numbered like those of an online journal, with 12 numbered issues every calendar year, i.e. one per month. Note: The year and volume are in this case the same. Each article has a DOI. For example:

Legislation

Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights Regulation

Reference list:

- The references start with the name of the regulation; as it is Government legislation no author is given.
- Although it is hosted on the Health and Disability Commissioner’s website, the HDC is not the author.
- Note that no part of the reference below is in italics.
- The date is part of the title, so it is not preceded by a comma.


In text:

In the opening paragraph of the assignment you will need to state the full name of the regulation, and put in brackets the shortened version you will use thereafter (HDC Code 1996). You can use the shortened version throughout the rest of your assignment.

Using the name of the code as part of the sentence would look something like the example below:

This assignment focuses on the HDC Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights 1996 (HDC Code 1996), which lays out ten basic rights that all patients are granted...

The HDC Code defines this as meaning a “holistic view of the needs of the consumer in order to achieve the best possible outcome in the circumstances” (HDC Code 1996).

If the Code is not referred to in text, the citation would look like the following example:

This assignment focuses on the ten rights every patient is granted (HDC Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights 1996 [HDC Code 1996])...