

Content and coverage

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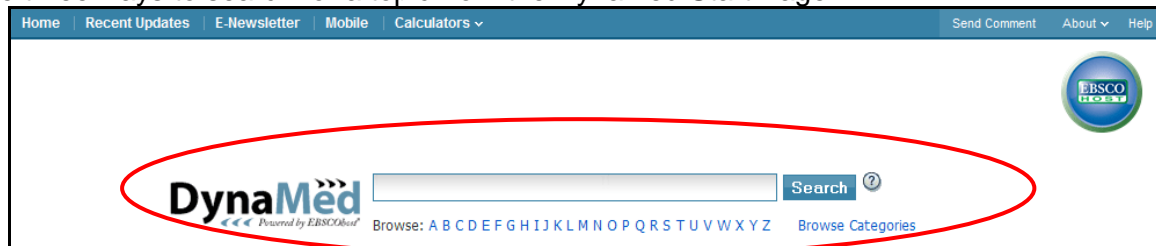
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Search and browse

There are three ways to search for a topic from the DynaMed Start Page.



Search Topic Names and Topic Text Simultaneously

- ▶ Enter complete words or phrases in the **Find** field. Click the **Search** button.

Browse Topic Names Alphabetically

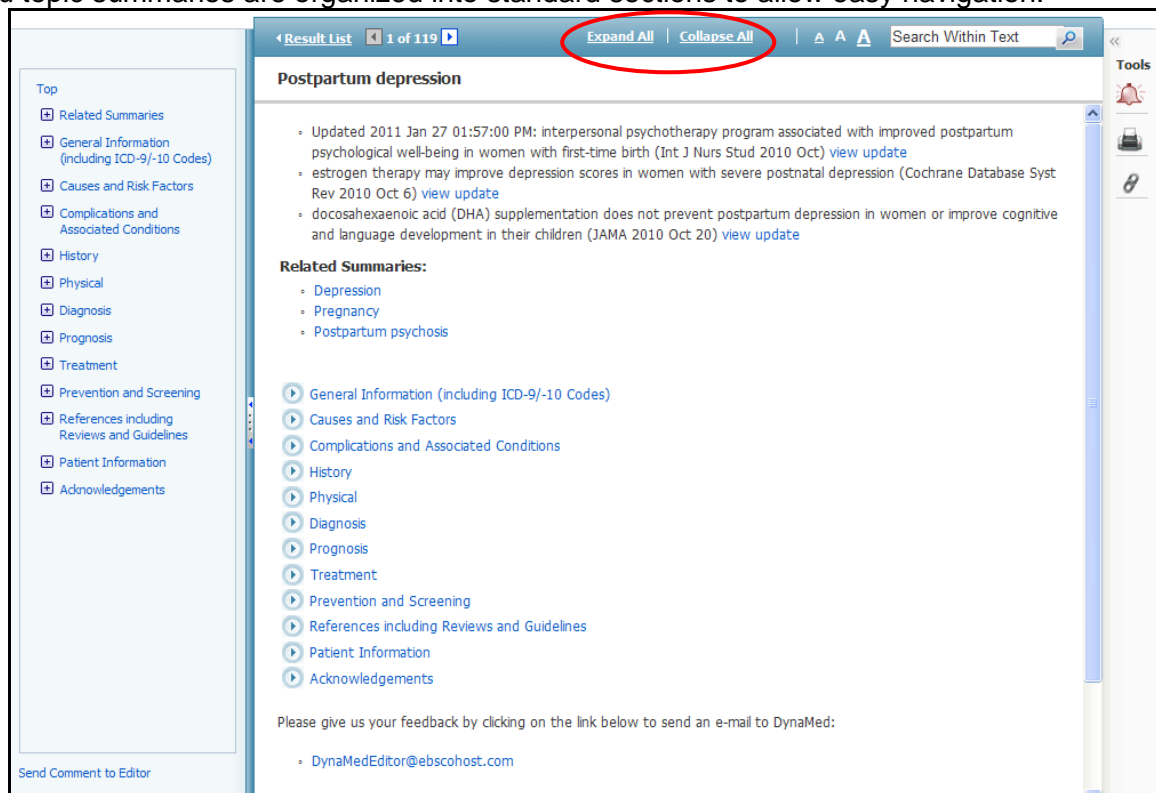
- ▶ Click a letter in the **A-Z list**.

Browse by Category Name

- ▶ Click the **Browse Categories** link.

Topic summary organization

DynaMed topic summaries are organized into standard sections to allow easy navigation.



Upon opening a topic summary, all sections are collapsed (not viewable) by default.

- ▶ To open all the sections simultaneously, use the **Expand All** link located above the topic summary. To close all sections simultaneously, use the **Collapse All** link.

Navigating a topic summary

Stroke (acute management)

- Updated 2011 Mar 21 11:42:00 AM: very early mobilization associated with fewer complications and greater independence at 3 months (Stroke 2010 Nov) [view update](#)
- activation of fewer intracranial collateral vessels associated with poor recovery in patients with internal carotid artery dissection (Stroke 2011 Jan) [view update](#)
- no risk-standardized models for comparing hospital readmission performance or predicting readmission risk in stroke identified (Stroke 2010 Nov) [view update](#)

Related Summaries:

- Stroke for a list of related summaries
- Long term management of stroke
- Stroke rehabilitation
- Transient ischemic attack (TIA)
- Thrombolytics for acute stroke
- Neuroimaging for acute stroke
- American Heart Association and American Stroke Association guidelines for the early management of adults with ischemic stroke
- Physician Quality Reporting System 2011 Quality Measures
- Medicare and Joint Commission National Hospital Inpatient Quality Measures

General Information (including ICD-9/-10 Codes)

- Causes and Risk Factors
- Complications and Associated Conditions
- History

Check the date the summary was updated and click **view update** to view the new evidence in context.

Navigate to a specific section using either the static links or the sections in the summary.

Levels of evidence labeling

- temperature-lowering therapy may not reduce mortality risk (**level 2 [mid-level] evidence**)
 - based on Cochrane review without adequate power to detect significant differences in clinical outcomes
 - systematic review of randomized or controlled trials evaluating pharmacologic (5 trials) and/or physical strategies (3 trials) to reduce temperature in 423 patients with acute ischemic stroke or intracerebral hemorrhage
 - no significant differences between groups in mortality
 - non-significant increase in infection with pharmacologic and physical cooling treatment
 - Reference - Cochrane Database Syst Rev 2009 Jan 21; (1):CD001247

Individual evidence reports are labeled:

Level 1 (likely reliable) evidence

Level 2 (mid-level) evidence

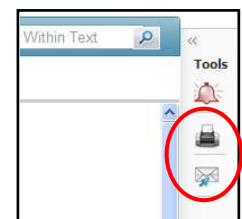
Level 3 (lacking direct) evidence

- An explanation of the evidence grades can be found by clicking on the links.

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