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Educational pamphlets for improving uptake of cancer screening: a systematic review

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Supplementary materials

Supplementary Text S1. Ovid MEDLINE search strategy

- 1 Pamphlets/ or patient education handout/ (8654)
- 2 (booklet? or brochure? or pamphlet? or leaflet? or handout? or information sheet?).ab,ti,tw. (29421)
- 3 1 or 2 (35878)
- 4 "Early Detection of Cancer"/ or exp Mass Screening/ or exp Mammography/ or exp Colonoscopy/ or Papanicolaou Test/ or Vaginal Smears/ or DNA Probes, HPV/ or Occult Blood/ (199839)
- 5 ((early diagnosis adj3 cancer) or (early detection adj3 cancer) or (cancer adj3 screening?) or (cancer adj3 test*) or (early diagnosis adj3 carcinoma) or (early detection adj3 carcinoma) or (carcinoma adj3 screening?) or (carcinoma adj3 test*) or (early diagnosis adj3 neoplasm?) or (early detection adj3 neoplasm?) or (neoplasm? adj3 screening?) or (neoplasm? adj3 test*) or mammogram? or f?ecal occult blood test or FOBT or FBT or f?ecal immunology test* or colonoscopy or sigmoidoscopy or PSA test* or prostate-specific antigen test* or prostate specific antigen test* or cervical cancer test* or pap smear? or Papanicolaou Smear? or pap test* or HPV DNA test* or HPV DNA Probe? or Human Papilloma Virus DNA Probe? or Papilloma Virus DNA Probe?).ab,ti,tw. (108933)
- 6 4 or 5 (257465)
- 7 3 and 6 (1072)
- 8 randomized controlled trial.pt. (481288)
- 9 controlled clinical trial.pt. (93052)
- 10 randomized.ab. (441673)
- 11 placebo.ab. (197316)
- 12 drug therapy.fs. (2104457)
- 13 randomly.ab. (310013)
- 14 trial.ab. (461755)
- 15 groups.ab. (1907092)
- 16 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 (4430082)
- 17 exp animals/ not humans.sh. (4576104)

- 18 16 not 17 (3831482)
- 19 7 and 18 (457)
- 20 limit 19 to yr="2000 -Current" (408)

Supplementary Table S2. Grey literature sources and search strategies used

Source	Search terms
Grey Literature Sources	
ClinicalTrials.gov	<p>Search Strategy: (booklet OR booklets or brochure OR brochures or pamphlet OR pamphlets or leaflet OR leaflets or handout OR handouts or information sheet OR information sheets) AND (Cancer OR Carcinoma)</p> <p>426 studies retrieved.</p>
UK Clinical Trials Gateway	<p>Search Strategy: booklet OR booklets or brochure OR brochures or pamphlet OR pamphlets or leaflet OR leaflets or handout OR handouts or information sheet OR information sheets</p> <p>9 studies retrieved. No relevant trials found.</p>
EU Clinical Trials Register	<p>Search Strategy: (booklet OR booklets or brochure OR brochures or pamphlet OR pamphlets or leaflet OR leaflets or handout OR handouts or information sheet OR information sheets) AND (Cancer OR Carcinoma)</p> <p>3 studies retrieved. No relevant trials found.</p>
International Clinical Trials Registry Platform (ICTRP)	<p>Search Strategy: (booklet OR booklets or brochure OR brochures or pamphlet OR pamphlets or leaflet OR leaflets or handout OR handouts or information sheet OR information sheets) (Under 'Title')</p> <p>AND</p> <p>(Cancer OR Carcinoma) (Under 'Conditions')</p> <p>Recruitment Status: ALL.</p> <p>29 trials retrieved.</p>
Australian Clinical Trials	Broad Health Condition: Cancer

Specific Condition: All Cancers

Keyword:

Search 1: booklet OR booklets or brochure OR brochures or pamphlet OR pamphlets or leaflet OR leaflets or handout OR handouts (7 records)

Search 2: information sheet (9 records)

Search 3: information sheets (43 records)

Total of 59 studies retrieved.