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Evaluating the impact of clinical librarians on clinical questions during inpatient rounds

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APPENDIX E

Adapted rubric from the Fresno Test of Competence in Evidence-Based Medicine

	Population	Intervention	Comparison	Outcome
Excellent (3 pts)	Multiple relevant	Specific	Specific	Outcome that is
	descriptors	intervention of	alternative of	objective and
		interest	interest	meaningful to
				patient
Strong (2 pts)	One appropriate	Type of	Specific	Nonspecific
	descriptor	intervention	comparison group	outcome
Limited (1 pt)	General descriptor	Mentions	Mentions	Reference to
		intervention	comparison	outcome
Not evident (0 pts)	Not evident	Not evident	Not evident	Not evident

Example questions with grading:

The question "What is the recommended duration of therapy for a urinary tract infection (UTI) in a neonate or infants?" received 2 points for population (neonates or infants with a UTI) and no points for other categories for a total of 2 points.

The question "Does duloxetine cause constipation in adults?" received 1 point for population (adults), 3 points for intervention (duloxetine), no points for comparison, and 2 points for outcome (constipation) for a total of 6 points.

The question "In the fluid management of adult sickle cell patients, what is the effect of using hypotonic fluids vs. isotonic fluids on inducing hypernatremia?" received 3 points for population (adult sickle cell patients in need of fluid management), 3 points for intervention (hypotonic fluids), 3 points for comparison (isotonic fluids), and 3 points for outcome (hypernatremia) for a total of 12 points.