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## Rural providers' access to online resources: a randomized controlled trial

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## **APPENDIX B**

## Health information resource post-survey for state practitioners

Thank you for completing our survey. Please mark the appropriate blank or box or scale number that best describes your actions or responses to the use of various health information resources.

By health information resources we are NOT talking about patient medical records, but rather we mean information about prevention, diagnosis, diseases, disorders, and treatments.

Please provide your best estimate if you are not sure of any response.

1. During the past 3 months on average, how often did you use each of the listed resources to look for information to help support or make an actual clinical decision?

	Times used <b>per week</b> on average over the <b>past 3 months</b>											
Health information resource:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	10+
a. Free general web resources (e.g., Google)												
b. Free medical websites (e.g., WebMD)												
c. Medical websites you pay to use												
d. Professional associations' members-only websites												
e. PubMed or MEDLINE												
f. Print scientific journals												
g. Online scientific journals												
h. A colleague												
i. Electronic books												
j. Online books												
k. UpToDate												
l. DynaMed												
m. AccessMedicine												
n. Other:												





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2. Overall, how satisfied are you with each of the listed health information resources in helping you in your practice?

		Satisfaction on average over past 3 months											
	Never used	Not	at all			Moderately					Completely		
Health information resource		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
a. Free general web resources (e.g., Google)													
b. Free medical websites (e.g., WebMD)													
c. Medical websites you pay to use													
d. Professional associations' members-only websites													
e. PubMed or MEDLINE													
f. Print scientific journals													
g. Online scientific journals													
h. A colleague													
i. Electronic books													
j. Online books													
k. UpToDate													
l. DynaMed													
m. AccessMedicine													
n. Other:													

3. When you search various health information resources, how long on average does it take you to find sufficient information to help you to either make your clinical decisions or educate your patients? \_\_\_\_\_ minutes \_\_\_\_\_ hours

4. What percentage (%) of searches of health information resources currently answer your questions? \_\_\_\_\_\_% searches that are successful

5. At present, my access to health information resources provides me:												
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Far too little The right amount										Far too much		
information						rmatior	information					

6. What is your favorite health information resource for answering your questions?

7. What is your favorite health information resource for giving to your patients?

8. How much would you be willing to pay to have regular access to an excellent online health information resource?

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ annually





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9. Please share any comments you have about the costs of obtaining health information:

10. What is your main practice role? \_\_\_\_ Physician \_\_ Nurse \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacist \_\_\_\_\_ Physician assistant \_\_\_ Other: (state)\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Nurse practitioner 11. Your clinical practice is primarily located in (please check only one below) \_\_\_\_\_ the [largest city name] metro area \_\_\_\_\_ smaller town or community with an inpatient hospital \_\_\_\_\_ [second & third largest cities] area \_\_\_\_\_ smaller town or community with no inpatient hospital 12. How many other practitioners (MD, PA, NP, RN, etc.) typically work at your primary clinical practice site? \_\_\_\_\_ practitioners 13. How many total years have you been clinical practice? \_\_\_\_\_ years 14. What is your age? \_\_\_\_\_ years 15. What is your gender \_\_\_\_\_ female \_\_\_\_\_ male 16. Please share any other comments you might have about obtaining health information for your clinical work: