

Don't go breaking my heart! Patient decision aids and coronary artery disease



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Why this topic?

Coronary artery disease is a one of the biggest causes of death in the UK

Treatment options are complex and are not a quick fix for patients

Shared decision making is the basis of good medical care but how many patient decision aids exist and how good are they?

What we did?

Scoping search

**Refined search in consultation with research team
academics and cardiology team**

Searches across databases and websites

Top tips

Don't be afraid to be asked for credit for your work

Make sure you keep accurate records of searches and the dates they were done.

Don't expect anything to happen quickly...

We got published !



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REVIEW ARTICLE

Patient decision aids for aortic stenosis and chronic coronary artery disease: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Then we did one of these



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Empowering patients - the role of patient decisions aids in choosing care

Coronary artery disease is a huge problem in the UK and is one of the leading causes of death. There are many treatment options available to patients but navigating the complexity of choice can be overwhelming. Patient decision aids are designed to help patients make a treatment choice which is right for them. A review team, led by Emma Harris, approached the library and asked us provide a series of complex searches, formulated with liaison with her team, to inform a systematic review and meta-analysis which was eventually published in the [European Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing](#)

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“The search for evidence is a vital step in the research process. Using the library team to formulate the search strategy and carry out the search, not only reassures us that we have access to all the available evidence, but also saves us so much time.”



And then I will probably do this...



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