

Table 1: Structured query according to the PICO framework. The final query according to the synthesis of the individual components appears in the last table row.

PICO component	Query
P(atients)	“Infant, Newborn”[Mesh] OR “Infant, Extremely Premature”[Mesh] OR “Infant, Extremely Low Birth Weight”[Mesh]→ 596,774 results
I(ntervention)	“Terminal Care”[Mesh] OR “Hospice Care”[Mesh] OR “Withholding Treatment”[Mesh] OR “Palliative Care”[Mesh]→ 99,457 results
C(omparison)	“Guidelines as Topic”[Mesh] OR “Guideline”[Publication Type] OR “Practice Guidelines as Topic”[Mesh] OR “Health Planning Guidelines”[Mesh] OR “Standard of Care”[Mesh] OR “Evidence-Based Emergency Medicine”[Mesh] OR “Evidence-Based Practice”[Mesh]→ 2643,40 results
O(utcome)	“Ethics”[Mesh] OR “ethics”[Subheading]→ 181,466
Complete query (individual parts combined with AND operators)	(“Infant, Newborn”[Mesh] OR “Infant, Extremely Premature”[Mesh] OR “Infant, Extremely Low Birth Weight”[Mesh]) AND (“Terminal Care”[Mesh] OR “Hospice Care”[Mesh] OR “Withholding Treatment”[Mesh] OR “Palliative Care”[Mesh]) AND (“Guidelines as Topic”[Mesh] OR “Guideline”[Publication Type] OR “Practice Guidelines as Topic”[Mesh] OR “Health Planning Guidelines”[Mesh] OR “Standard of Care”[Mesh] OR “Evidence-Based Emergency Medicine”[Mesh] OR “Evidence-Based Practice”[Mesh]) AND (“Ethics”[Mesh] OR “ethics” [Subheading])→ 109 results