

## Other Places to Explore

- Do some basic searches in each of these databases
  - Suggested terms: occupational therapy OR hand therapy
  - Add terms like: perception OR attitudes OR
  - Use filters like publication dates

## ERIC

1) What types of publications are you finding? What are some of the topics?

Academic Journals

Dissertations/Thesis

Books

Report

Education Database - for a particular type of project

Topics: Access to Care for Chronic Trauma

Topics: Post surgery

Topics: Protocols, Splints

Topics: Theater & OT for kids with ASD

Topics: Coaching Mothers of Children with Autism; A Qualitative Study for OT Practice

Topics: Special Education Administrator Perceptions of the Role of School-Based OT

Topics: Social skills of children with specific language impairment: occupational and speech therapists' perceptions

Topics: MCIMT

Topics: Delivery of the Wilbarger Protocol: A Survey of Pediatric Occupational Therapy Practitioners

2) Who are the potential audiences for the resources? Could it overlap with your own research interests?

- a) Teacher
- b) Students
- c) Researchers
- d) Administrators
- e) Community
- f) Counselors
- g) Media staff
- h) Parents
- i) Policymakers
- j) Practitioners

3) How would these kinds of databases or resources be useful to a larger research project?

“ERIC (Education Resources Information Center) is an authoritative database of indexed and full-text education literature and resources. Sponsored by the Institute of Education Sciences

of the U.S. Department of Education, it is an essential tool for education researchers of all kinds.” (<https://www.ebsco.com/products/research-databases/eric>)

”It includes records for a variety of source types, including journal articles, books, conference papers, curriculum guides, dissertations and policy papers. Further, researchers can limit search results by education level such as Early Childhood Education as well as on the intended audience such as Counselors or Teachers.”

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Education database

#### 4) Other insights/thoughts?

Editing the publication date can help to refine the searches

“More than 1.6 million records

Links to nearly 750,000 full-text documents

Coverage dating back to 1907

An education-specific thesaurus containing over 11,700 terms.”

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## ABI/INFORM

#### 5) What kind of publications were you finding? What are some of the topics?

- Scholarly journals, dissertations, thesis, newspapers, blogs, podcasts, reports, wire-feeds, conference papers and proceedings
- **Business** and economic full-text journals and periodicals; dissertations, conference and working papers; country-and industry-focused reports and downloadable data; newspapers and news content

#### 6) Who are the potential audiences for the resources? Could it overlap with your own research interests?

- Evidence-based practitioners
- Students
- Health science professionals
- OTs, PTs, SLPs
- Business students
- Stakeholders

7) How would these kinds of databases or resources be useful to a larger research project?

- Increasing validity within capstone dissertation topics/projects

8) Other insights/thoughts?

- Can search/filter by AOTA articles, PT articles, AARP, different universities
- Can search based on location
- You can save your search and get alerted when a new paper gets published and is similar to your topic
- Can modify your searches to be more specific and selective