Therapeutic alliances in stroke rehabilitation: a meta-ethnography

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Figure 1: Search strategy and exclusion process

- E-mail to experts n=0
- Handsearching n=1
- Generic web searching n=2

PsychINFO n=1396
EMBASE n=2947
Medline n=1654
AMED n=532
CINAHL n=1376
ComDisDome n=242
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