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Figure 1

Flow diagram of Literature Search

Initial search of articles yielded 3891 studies

3735 excluded using Subject search

93 articles excluded using inclusion/exclusion

Review of article for relevance 155 highlighted for title screening

Abstract screening highlighted 62 articles for reading full text

56 articles excluded using inclusion/exclusion

Hand searching reference lists yielded 16 potential articles. 14 excluded on reading full text

Full text screened 6 and 4 from hand searching

Application of quality criteria led to all 10 being included
Figure 2

Emerging themes

Whether physical restraint raises concern based on the psychological or physical harm it may inflict for mental health in patients.