Area		Comments		
	Excellent (Met)	Fair (N/A)	Poor (Not Met)	
Abstract (10)	Abstract is structured using required subheadings. Word count is 150-250. Keywords (3-10) are identified. Information related to each subheading is presented concisely and appropriately.	Abstract is structured using required subheadings. Word count is 150-250. Keywords (3-10) are identified. Information related to each subheading lacks details, pertinence. Presentation is verbose.	Abstract is unstructured, exceeds word count, or lacks keywords. Information pertinent to any of the required subheadings is missing.	
Introduction (15)	A brief introduction of the research topic is presented. Epidemiological information, prognosis, and management options are thoroughly detailed, with appropriate citations of public health data and other supporting facts. Authors' opinions are not expressed without evidence.	The clinical research topic is not clearly defined. Information on incidence/prevalence, risk factors, prognosis, or management are not developed. Factual information is not cited. Opinions are expressly stated.	Multiple counts of plagiarism in the context of uncited information are found (this is a violation of the student honor code). Derogatory opinions are expressed related to the clinical topic or its management.	
Methods (10)	This section provides a step-by- step, detailed description of search and selection criteria. The total number of articles reviewed is clearly stated. Methodology is described to the extent where it can be easily duplicated.	The section lacks step-by-step details or information regarding search terms and inclusion/exclusion criteria. The total number of articles reviewed is not clearly stated. Methodology cannot easily be duplicated.	Methodology cannot be duplicated due to a lack of search information. The total number of articles reviewed is unknown. Exclusion/inclusion criteria are not document or cannot be substantiated.	

Results (10)	A summary of the selected	The summary of literature lacks	Fundamental literature is not	
	literature is provided, including	detail or development. Articles are	included. Articles are reviewed	
	detailed analysis of common	reviewed with minimal integration.	individually without any	
	themes. Articles are grouped	Research hierarchy is not	integration. Research hierarchy	
	and integrated. Research	considered or mentioned. Gaps in	is not considered or mentioned.	
	hierarchy is considered. Gaps in	the available evidence are not	Gaps in the available evidence	
	the available evidence are noted.	discussed.	are not discussed.	
Discussion (25)	Critical analysis of the literature	Critical analysis of the literature	Critical analysis of the literature	
,	review is finalized. Authors'	review is finalized. Authors'	review is lacking. Authors'	
	recommendations related to	recommendations related to	recommendations related to	
	evidence-informed chiropractic	evidence-informed chiropractic	evidence-informed chiropractic	
	management of the clinical	management of the clinical	management of the clinical	
	research topic are stated.	research topic are not clearly	research topic are not stated.	
	Clinical applications of the	stated. Clinical applications of the	Clinical applications of the	
	evidence are explored in the	evidence are not fully explored in	evidence are not explored in the	
	context of a proposed hypothesis	the context of a proposed	context of a proposed hypothesis	
	related to human anatomy,	hypothesis related to human	related to human anatomy,	
	pathophysiology, and models of	anatomy, pathophysiology, and	pathophysiology, and models of	
	subluxation correction.	models of subluxation correction.	subluxation correction.	
	References are utilized and	References are not utilized and	References are not utilized and	
	documented appropriately,	documented appropriately,	documented appropriately.	
	including in-text citations.	including problems with in-text		
		citations.		
Conclusion (10)	Final authors' recommendations	Final authors' recommendations	Final authors' recommendations	
` ,	related to patient management	related to patient management	related to patient management	
	and future directions of research	and future directions of research	or future directions of research	
	are clearly stated and well-	are stated but lack detail or	are not stated.	
	developed.	development.		