Where / How to find Clinical Practice Guidelines, Systematic reviews, Patient Education handouts.... ?

You will find in this document some suggestions to help you to find these very special information, or to complete your literature searches in traditional database. Where to look ?

- Inside our UO ressources (ex. DynaMed Plus, RxTx)
- Using the medical or nursing organizations that collect and promote the guidelines (ex. CMA guidelines)
- Using the association/organization/society/foundation... working for the illness or group of interest that you are looking for (ex. Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada)

We strongly suggest you use the Libguide of your domain to find more resources. Some tools can be used on your mobile device. Consult the Mobile Apps page in the same guide:  
http://uottawa.libguides.com/mobileappshealth

**Clinical Practice Guidelines Association and organizations (free access)**

Database: CMA Infobase: Clinical Practice Guidelines Database (CPGs)  
https://www.cma.ca/En/Pages/clinical-practice-guidelines.aspx

The CMA Infobase is a database of evidence-based Canadian clinical practice guidelines (CPGs). Maintained by the Canadian Medical Association, it includes approximately 1,200 CPGs developed or endorsed by authoritative medical or health organizations in Canada.  
Also interesting, take a look on the Handbook on CPGs: https://www.cma.ca/Assets/assets-library/document/en/clinical-resources/CPG%20handbook-e.pdf
United States - NGC is a public resource for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines.
http://www.guideline.gov/

Collect the guidelines from associations and organisation all across the world (English world!) Excellent web-site, with a lot of ways to search and compare guidelines. Contents also patient education materials.
You could also consult the American College of Physicians (ACP). ACP develops three different types of clinical recommendations: Clinical Practice Guidelines, Clinical Guidance Statements, and Best Practice Advice.
http://www.acponline.org/clinical_information/guidelines/

UK - The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) provides national guidance and advice to improve health and social care. The page “Find guidance” will offer you several options to find a variety of guidelines.
http://www.nice.org.uk/guidance

The Best Practices Section of the Portal is a searchable list of chronic disease prevention and health promotion interventions which provides program planners and public health practitioners with easy and immediate access to successful public health programs, interventions and policies that have been evaluated and have the potential to be adapted and used.
You could navigate in the web site and use the search box:
http://cbpp-pcpe.phac-aspc.gc.ca/interventions/

**Clinical Practice Guidelines Resources @ UO**

These resources are licensed by the University of Ottawa Library. You will be requested to identify yourself when you connect from outside the campus.

DynaMed is a Point-of-Care, medical information database with nearly 2,000 clinical topic summaries that provides the best available evidence. Updated daily.

1) Search for your topic/subject in the box
2) Select “Guidelines and resources”, in the list at the left to obtain see Guidelines organized by country.
Available on or off campus
The Nursing & Allied Health (CINAHL) database provides authoritative coverage of the literature related to nursing and allied health, which includes over 3.2 million records dating back to 1960.

1) Search for your subject
2) Search for the Subject Term (Subject Heading) = “Practice Guideline”
3) Combine the sets with AND


The Joanna Briggs Institute EBP Database allows you to search simultaneously, a wide range of summarized and appraised health care evidence, including 3,000 records across seven publication types: Evidence Based Recommended Practices, Evidence Summaries, Best Practice Information Sheets, Systematic Reviews, Consumer Information Sheets, Systematic Review Protocols, and Technical Reports. Covered subjects: Nursing care, medical care.

1) Search for your subject with the search box
2) Limit your search by selecting “Recommended practice” in the Publication types list (blue box)


Free registration required. Trip is a clinical search engine designed to allow users to quickly and easily find and use high-quality research evidence to support their practice and/or care.
http://www.tripdatabase.com/

1) Search for your subject with the search box or the Advance search or the PICO search tool
2) Then use the Refine category (at the right) to select the Evidence type that you’re looking for: “Guidelines” are presented by country
PubMed is available through the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI). It also provides access to bibliographic information that includes MEDLINE, PREMEDLINE and other related databases.

1) Search for your topic/subject in the box
2) Limit the search using the filter “Article types” at the left: “Guideline” or “Practice Guideline”

Available on or off campus:

**Systematic Reviews and others**

**Cochrane Library**

The Cochrane Library is a collection of six databases that contain different types of high-quality, independent evidence to inform healthcare decision-making.

1) Search for your subject in the box
2) All the results will be Cochrane reviews.

Available on or off campus:

**CINAHL**

1) Search for your subject
2) Search for the Subject Term (Subject Heading) = “Systematic review”
3) Combine the sets with an AND

**Trip**

1) Search for your subject with the search box or the Advance search option or the PICO search tool
2) Then use the Refine category to select the Evidence type that you’re looking for : Systematic Reviews are presented by editors/databases

1) Search for your subject with the search box
2) Limit your search by selecting “Systematic review protocol”, or “Systematic Review” in the Publication types list (blue box)
1) Search for your topic/subject in the box
2) Limit the search using the filter “Article types” at the left: “Systematic reviews”, “Meta-analysis”, etc...

The Agency provides a list of excellent sites/database to search SR: See the page: http://cbpp-pcpe.phac-aspc.gc.ca/interventions/selected-systematic-review-sites/

**Patient education / Information**

**DynaMed Plus**

1) Search for your topic/subject in the box
2) Select “Patient Information” under “Guidelines and resources”, in the list at the left to obtain see various handouts in several languages, organized by country or speciality.

**RxTx** Rx: Médicaments  Tx: Affections

1) In the section “Tx Conditions”
2) Scroll down the menu of “Minor Ailments: Information for Patients” to find the conditions that you are looking for.
   Information available in French and in English.
   https://login.proxy.bib.uottawa.ca/limited/e-CUofO.htm

**Trip**

1) Search for your subject with the search box or the Advance search option or the PICO search tool
2) Select the “Patient information” from the list created at the right

**PubMed.gov**

1) Search for your topic/subject in the box
2) Limit the search using the filter “Article types” at the left: “Patient Education Handout”
1) Search for your subject with the search box
2) Limit your search by selecting “Consumer Information Sheets” in the Publication types list (blue box)

https://medlineplus.gov/
1) Search for your topic in the search box OR select it in the list of « Health Topics »
2) Click on the title of your topic, in the top of the main box
3) In the section « For you », click on « Patient Handouts »

Bonnes recherches !