Hello everyone! I want to welcome you to your final assignment you have due for your NR439 course! Can you believe it? This is your last one, so Kudos to you! My name is Dr. Susan Thomas, course leader for NR439 and I have created for you a short tutorial for your week 6 reading research literature worksheet.

Your week 6 assignment is located in your week 6 module; if you click on the link it will take you to your guidelines and directions. As always, you will find your rationale and purpose for completing the learning activity. I created this worksheet assignment to help you demonstrate your understanding of how to read an original research article that has been assigned for you and then answer specific questions about the research study. The worksheet is designed to help you appreciate and value the importance of reading research literature. As a take away, you can use this worksheet to help you critique any research literature of interest in your future.

The week 6 reading research literature assignment is based off of a culmination of your learning so far in your course. Please refer back to your learning in the course to help you with the questions for the activity. I designed this learning activity using your AACN standards for professional practice which requires a BSN to appreciate, read, and understand original nursing research literature as this is an essential for creating an evidence-base practice.

The assignment directions and rubric are located under your week six assignment. It is essential that you read over the directions as these have key instructions and helpful hints to complete the required week 6 reading research literature worksheet. The worksheet is located here and you must use the worksheet that is assigned in your session you are taking the course. The worksheet can change from session to session and so it is important that you use the one that is assigned during the session you are taking the course. This assignment requires that you read an assigned research article that is located here and then answer the questions after you have read the article. Be sure you are using the assigned article for the session you are taking the course. The article can change from session to session so it is important you access the assigned article that is linked in the course located here. I encourage you to read all the directions first, and then read over your grading rubric which is located beneath the assignment directions. Be sure that you are using your grading rubric to complete the required assignment. Your instructor will use the grading rubric to evaluate each of the criteria you will be completing. You want to use the first column to be sure you are capturing all available points for that criteria.

All assignments at Chamberlain require Academic Integrity which means the work that you produce is your own. As you know in practice and in school, integrity matters. Therefore, it is imperative you are using your own words to answer the questions after you have read the assigned article. You want to pay attention to the scholarly writing area and the APA area for the assignment. You can paraphrase some of the information you will discuss from the article. Paraphrasing means you are using your own words to describe what the author has discussed. You can use 1-2 short direct quotes but I highly encourage you to paraphrase instead in order to prevent any academic integrity concerns. You must use APA in-text citations which means you must cite the sentence you paraphrased using your own words. You can use other scholarly sources to support your answers to demonstrate your knowledge of how to read a research article. If you use an outside scholarly source or any other source, please list the resource below the worksheet. Listing the resource at the end without citing does not demonstrate integration of the resource. Be sure you are fully citing the resource; posting a link will not be accepted as a scholarly source as your instructor can not determine from a link the quality of the resource.

The assignment is worth 200 points. I want to point out that you need to use scholarly writing, spelling, grammar, and complete sentences. Again, use your own words to write about the criteria to demonstrate your understanding of the article and use in-text APA citations for any sentences that you use from resources. It is important that you are using the assigned worksheet and article in the session you are taking the course; if you do not, points will be deducted from the elements listed here in your grading rubric. Resources: You can find APA resources as well as writing assistance in your resources tab and your Chamberlain library. Your Chamberlain library is a great database to find current evidence to support your writing. The link to the library is located here.   
  
Students, again Kudo’s to each of you for your persistence and all of your valuable work you are doing in NR439. We appreciate each of you and know that you are expanding your knowledge and skill set related to practicing as a BSN. The course was created to help support your knowledge, skills, and awareness of how to utilize and practice with an evidence-based approach and way of thinking as you move towards achieving your BSN. As always, please contact your NR439 instructor if you have any questions. Enjoy your final assignment!