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| E  **Expectation**  What is the improvement, innovation you want to see? | C  **Client Group**  Who is the service for? | L  **Location**  Where is the service being delivered? Hospital, Community or Primary Care? | I  **Impact**  What is the change in the service which is being looked for? What is success? How is it being measured? | P  **Professionals Involved**  Which professionals will deliver the service? | S  **Service**  For which service are you looking for information about? |
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| **S**  **Setting**  This is the ‘where’. What is the setting that is relevant to the studies you want to locate. | **P**  **Population**  This is the ‘who’. For this you need to think of age, sex, ethnic origins or other defining characteristics of the patient and the population. | **I**  **Intervention**  This is also sometimes known as exposure and makes up the ‘what’. This is what is happening to the patient or population, so it could be a drug or a therapy, a screening questionnaire or health improvement programme. | **C**  **Comparison**  With what are you comparing the intervention or population, This could be the control group. | **E**  **Evaluation**  What are the evaluation factors that are relevant to the studies you want to find. |
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