Search Strategy
Searched MEDLINE, CINAHL, HAPI, EMBASE and PsycINFO databases from 1980-2006 for instruments related to the *Episodic Disability Framework*.

Reviewed 4274 Abstracts
Reviewed abstracts for instruments that met inclusion criteria.

34 Instruments Identified for Inclusion

4 Instruments Unable to Retrieve from Authors

Document Analysis of 30 Instruments
Each item from all the 30 instruments were assigned a code (72 codes represented categories of dimensions of disability and 36 represented contextual factors, triggers, and content extraneous to disability).

Mapped Items from the Instruments onto a Matrix
Mapped items according to the category (or code) they represented within the *Episodic Disability Framework*.

Coding Validity Check
Items from a random sub-set of 8 of the included instruments were coded by a community-based author for comparison.