**Research Critique Form**

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**Study Question:** (*What is being studied?)*

**Study Design:** (*See glossary for types*)

**Sampling:** (*What was the sample size and how were participants selected?)*

**Data Collection:** (*What were the data collection strategies—i.e. interview, observation, field notes, etc?*)

**Findings:** (*What were the results of the study?)*

**Limitations:** (*What does the author state as limitations? What other limitations do you see?*)

**Level of Evidence:** Indicate which category of evidence the study represents \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*[see glossary for more details]*

**Level I** Meta-analysis

**Level II**  Experimental design aka Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT)

**Level III** Quasi-experimental design

**Level IV** Case controlled, cohort studies, longitudinal studies

**Level V** Correlation studies

**Level VI** Descriptive studies including:

* + - surveys
    - cross sectional design
    - developmental design
    - qualitative studies

**Level VII** Authority Opinion or expert committee reports

**Other** Performance Improvement (PI); Review of literature

**Internal Validity:** Indicate which category of internal validity applies to the study \_\_\_\_\_

* Good (meets all the criteria for the study design)
* Fair (does not meet all criteria but is judged to have no fatal flaw that invalidates the results)
* Poor (contains fatal flaw)

**General Comments:**

**Applicability to Practice:**

**Three Key Points:**