

Vancouver citation style examples

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Chapter of a book		17. Riffenburgh RH. Statistics in medicine. 2nd ed. Amsterdam (Netherlands): Elsevier Academic Press; c2006. Chapter 24, Regression and correlation methods; p. 447-86.
Figure in a book		18. Nielsen-Bohlman L, Panzer AM, Kindig DA, editors. Health literacy: a prescription to end confusion. Washington: National Academies Press; c2004. Figure B-2, Improving chronic disease care: a framework based on health literacy and related research; p. 271.
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		costs_953.pdf
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		Sep]. Chapter 3, Guide to the contents of a protocol and
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		Territorial Injury Prevention Directors Association; c2006.
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Part of a web site		27. AMA: helping doctors help patients [Internet]. Chicago: American Medical Association; c1995-2007. AMA launches exclusive partnership with the ReachMD Channel for medical professionals; 2007 Mar 26 [cited 2007 Mar 28]; [about 2 screens]. Available from: http://www.ama- assn.org/ama/pub/category/17469.html

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