Appendix 5. Flowchart of the results from the search strategy

13,566 articles identified in MEDLINE and EMBASE

12,771 articles screened on title and abstract

341 articles screened full-text

12 articles included in the systematic review

9 additional articles identified via reference check

795 duplicates

12,430 articles excluded based on title and abstract

329 articles excluded. Main reasons:
- wrong construct of interest
- wrong population
- not a PROM development study or no evidence on content validity or validation not the aim of the study

21 articles referring to 12 (versions of) PROMs included in the systematic review