**MeSH or keywords? Why not both?**

Not all PubMed articles are indexed with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, so only searching with using those terms may not get you the most comprehensive results. Keyword-only searches can be unnecessarily complicated and can also miss literature. It is most effective to combine the two.

**Example Search**

You can still use the methods of combining keywords we learned previously – AND, OR, and parentheses. Just treat the MeSH term (“pneumonia”[MeSH]) like a keyword when building your search:

(Subheading[MeSH] OR “keyword phrase” OR keyword)

AND (“Other Subheading”[MeSH] OR keyword OR keyword)

Screenshot of slide from powerpoint with take home message. Remember: MeSH terms and keywords are best used in combination if you are concerned about locating the greatest amount of literature possible.
