Cochrane disseminates a new online series showing how review evidence is being used in daily practice from the perspective of practitioners and patients.

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