



Annual General Meeting 2023

Monday 4 September 2023

17:45 - 19:15 GMT+1

Online and in-person at
Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre,
London

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The Annual General Meeting (AGM) provides an opportunity for members to

- hear about our work over the last year and upcoming plans
- vote on matters affecting the organization, called 'Resolutions'
- ask questions
- network with other members.

Please log on to agm.cochrane.org to register your vote.



Keeping to time

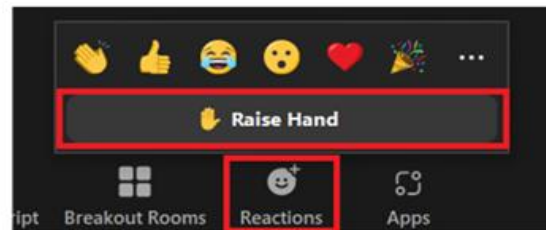
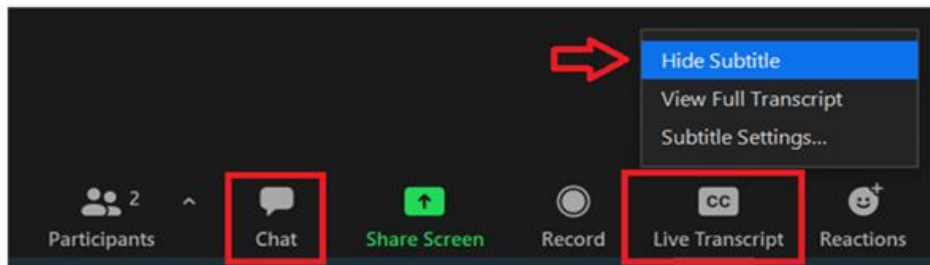
- we have a limited amount of time
- we want to ensure that members joining online have the same opportunity to participate as those in the room
- so, we will finish promptly at 7.15pm (in London)
- we will follow up any questions we cannot answer today and share our responses with all members



Please log on to agm.cochrane.org to register your vote.

Zoom participants

- To submit a question, click “Chat” to open the chat box.
- To turn subtitles on or off, click on “Live Transcript” > “Show/Hide Subtitle.”



Voting procedure for resolutions

- Voting is electronic.
- You must have access to an internet-connected device to vote.
- You can vote at any time during this meeting.
- Voting will be closed at the end of the meeting, and results will be announced after the meeting.
- Go to **agm.cochrane.org** and log in via your Cochrane Account to vote on the Resolutions.

Annual General Meeting 2023

Agenda

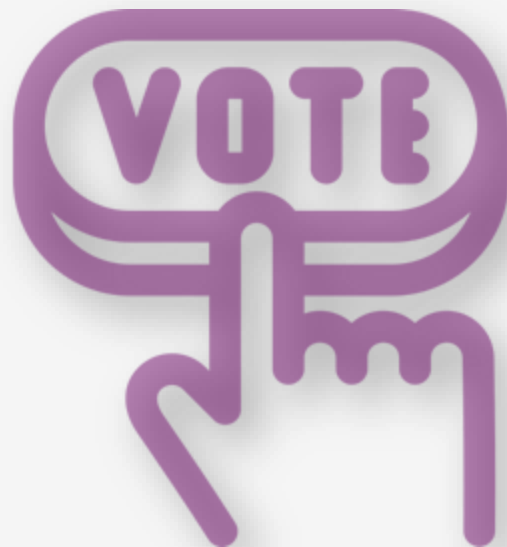
1. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 22 October 2022
2. Co-Chairs' Report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. To receive the Trustees Annual Report and Finance Statements 2022
5. To appoint the auditor
6. Council Report
8. Report from the Chief Executive Officer
9. Report from the Editor in Chief of The Cochrane Library
10. Members' Questions
11. Awards and Prizes
12. Resolutions: result of members' votes
13. Any other business and date of the next AGM

Proposed resolution

To approve the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held in Barcelona on 17 October 2022

Proposed by Catherine Marshall
Seconded by Jordi Pardo Pardo

Vote at agm.cochrane.org





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Welcome

Jordi Pardo Pardo

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Co-Chairs' Report

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Presented by

Jordi Pardo Pardo on behalf of
Tracey Howe and Catherine Marshall

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At this Annual General Meeting, we will:

- Report on our plans to revolutionize the way we produce evidence.
- Describe how our focused scientific strategy will achieve more to address the world's most pressing issues.
- Demonstrate how we will ensure sustainability, relevance and resilience for the next 30 years.
- Update on the findings of our independent Governance Review.
- New ways to connect, listen and celebrate our community.

The Governing Board



Catherine Marshall
(Co-Chair)
New Zealand



Tracey Howe
(Co-Chair)
United Kingdom



Yuan Chi
China



Tamara Kreda
South Africa



Sally Green
Australia



Karen Kelly
United Kingdom



Gillian Leng
United Kingdom



Wendy Levinson
Canada/USA



Jordi Pardo Pardo
Spain/Canada



Emma Persad
Canada/Sweden



Vanessa Piechotta
Germany



Juan Franco
Argentina/Germany

Cochrane is a registered charity; members of the Governing Board are directors of the Charity and are its trustees.

Cochrane's members elect some members, and the Board appoints others.

Collaboration is our core

- Our official name has always been **The Cochrane Collaboration**.
- **Collaboration** has always been a critical part of our work and has been embedded in our strategies and governing ethos.
- We reaffirmed these principles of collaboration in 2019.



The Cochrane Collaboration



- We simplified our logo in 2015.
- Eight years on, to demonstrate that our **origins, our community, our collaboration** and **our partnerships** remain crucial to our success, from now on, we plan to talk about both **The Cochrane Collaboration** and **Cochrane**.
- We will update our brand guidelines to reflect this.
- Our logo will remain as Cochrane.

Our governance and executive

- *Cochrane is both a complicated and a complex organisation with a “community” encompassing many thousands of individuals in a mixture of paid, semi-funded and voluntary roles, very widely distributed across the globe and with a range of world class specialists from a multitude of disciplines.*
- *Overall Cochrane has a healthy governance and a well-functioning executive leadership team.*
- *The governance and executive leadership layers are healthy.*



Governance review: Risk and compliance

- *The risk framework has been put in place and, based on the available documentation and comparisons with other organisations, looks like it has been developed well.*
- *There is a staged approach and next steps for developing the overall organisation-wide risk management, e.g., ascertaining Board risk Appetite by category/nature of risk.*

Independent Governance Review - Barney Tallack 2023



Connecting with our Community

Over the next few months, we will design a new approach to connecting with our Community.

We will build on the Council's good work and think about how we can ensure that everyone in the Cochrane community has a voice and the opportunity to be involved in key decisions.

The Cochrane Collaboration and its Community



- Cochrane's success is reliant on its community.
- We recognize the enormous success of the last thirty years.
- But also, the need to lead the change to make the biggest impact.
- We want to welcome **new people to the community and celebrate the thousands of people who have contributed to global health through Cochrane over the last thirty years.**

Cochrane Kenya



Cochrane Malaysia



Cochrane Czech Republic



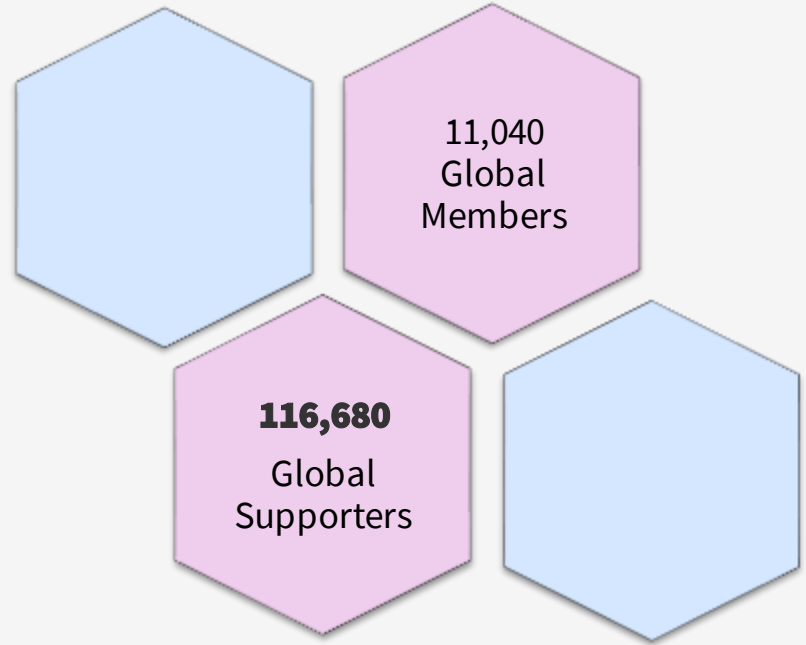
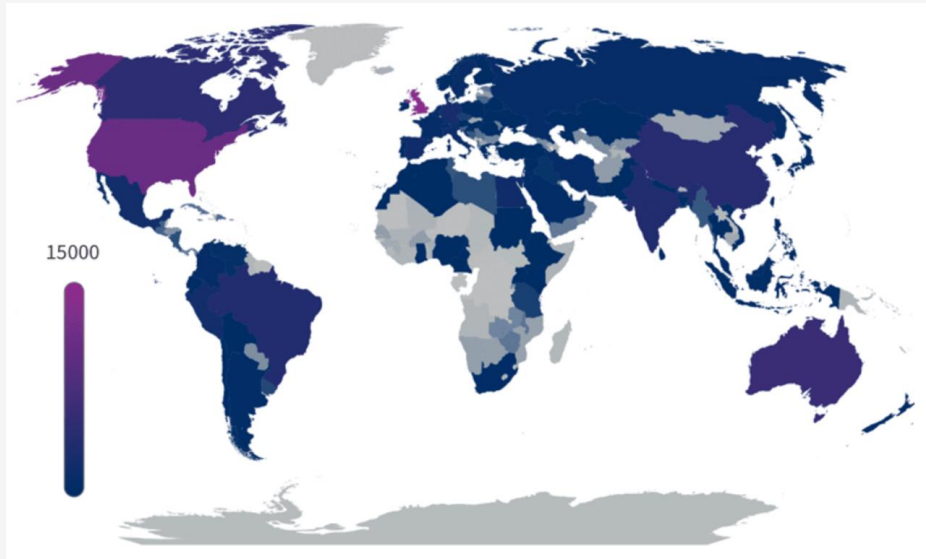
Agency for Health Research and Quality



Cochrane Austria



Cochrane membership



The Cochrane Collaboration is focusing

Our new strategy has three themes



These themes will be developed into goals and explored in the reports from the **Chief Executive and Editor in Chief**.

Our approach will ensure that our reviews are **relevant** and produced in a **less complex, more timely way and have more impact**.

The Cochrane Collaboration is building on an incredible past



The Cochrane Collaboration is leading

Our new production system of **Thematic Groups**, **Evidence Synthesis Units** and **Central Editorial Service** contributes to our commitment to

- Support equity and diversity
- Produce trustworthy, quality evidence in a timely manner
- Focus on the world's most pressing health and care challenges, including supporting the **United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals**



Cochrane at the World Health Assembly 2023



The Cochrane Collaboration has an exciting, sustainable future

- We are financially sustainable
- Our open-access business model will be thoroughly validated.
- We are working with you to produce an exciting new strategy to increase equity and global impact by focusing on the most needed evidence.







Catherine Marshall



Tracey Howe

*Thank
You*

**OUTGOING GOVERNING
BOARD CO-CHAIRS**



Financial Report

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Karen Kelly, Treasurer

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Cochrane behind the numbers



2022 Financial Results



2023 Financial Projections



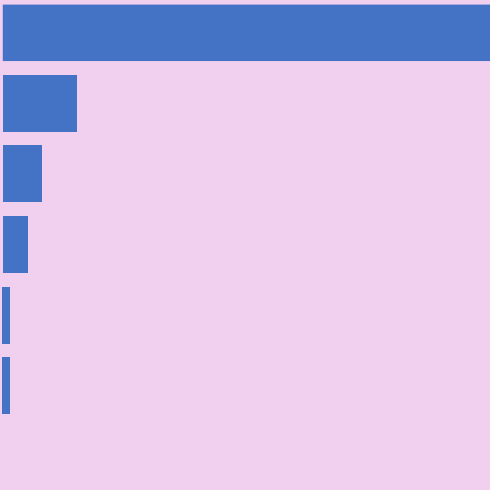
Strategic Risk: Financial Sustainability

2022 Financial results

£ millions	Actuals		Variance	Budget 2022
	2022	2021		
Income	8.9	7.7	1.2	7.4
Expenditure	(7.9)	(9.1)	1.2	(7.8)
Net income/(spend)	1.0	(1.4)	2.4	(0.4)
Free reserves	3.6	4.2	(0.6)	

- The full statutory accounts can be found at www.cochrane.org

We received £8.9m

Income stream	£'000	%	
Cochrane Library income	6,817	77%	
Cochrane response	1,003	11%	
Other publications income	553	6%	
Other Cochrane products	344	4%	
Other income	93	1%	
Fundraising income	87	1%	
	8,897	100%	

Dec 2022 - £9.6m reserves

Free Reserves Floor
£2.6m

Fixed - cannot be allocated (operational cash flow)

Excess Free Reserves
£1.0m

Variable – determined by annual ‘business as usual’ budget/outcome

Open Access Continuity
£3.0m

Fixed until 2025 to support the Open Access transition period (2025->?)

Strategic Investment Fund
£0.7m allocated

The board approved a total of £0.7m for ***Future of Evidence Synthesis & Pipeline*** risk mitigation

Strategic Investment Fund
£2.3m unallocated

Business cases for further investment of around £0.8m – including **product development** – are currently under consideration by the Board

2023 Financial projections

- F = Forecast to be spent
- B = Budgeted to be spent
- A = Actual spend

£ millions	2023 F	2023 B	Variance	2022 A
Income	9.5	9.8	(0.3)	8.9
Expenditure	(9.9)	(10.2)	0.3	(7.9)
Net (spend)/ income	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.0)	1.0
Free reserves	3.6	3.6	-	3.6



Strategic risk: Financial sustainability

Are we managing the finances to ensure we continue to make an impact in the medium to long term?

Financial sustainability: Actions in place/identified

Income Dependency

e.g., Cochrane Library 77%

We have a clear reserves policy and are developing income diversification/product development plans.

External Funding Loss

e.g., NIHR 25%

Our new fundraising team will build relationships with global funders and implement our new fundraising strategy.

Open Access Income?

From 31 Dec 2025

Working with professional advisors and publishers, we are developing and testing a viable OA business model.

Cost of change?

Future of Evidence Synthesis
Programme of work

We continue to transition and monitor to ensure a sustainable, affordable **Central Editorial Service** that is fit for purpose.

But who monitors?

Our **Finance, Audit & Risk Committee** reviews management accounts, budgets, and 5Y business models.

Proposed resolution

To receive the Trustees' Report and
Financial Statements for the year ended
31 December 2022

Proposed by Karen Kelly
Seconded by Catherine Marshall

Vote at agm.cochrane.org



Proposed resolution

To reappoint Price Bailey as auditor until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting 2024

Proposed by Karen Kelly
Seconded by Catherine Marshall

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Council Report

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Presented by
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Dellavalle
Council Co-Chairs

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Managing Editors

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Purpose

- The Council was established in 2017 to ensure that **Cochrane Groups** have an effective voice in Cochrane's leadership and strategic decision-making.
- The Council provides a mechanism for **Cochrane Groups** to give advice to the **Governing Board**.



The Council's work over the last year

The Council provided advice on:

- New Cochrane Strategy
- The Governance review
- Future of Evidence Synthesis Project
- Increasing the usefulness and impact of reviews
- Collaborating to enhance diversity and equity

- The Council Co-Chairs attended the Governing Board meetings in March, May and September.



Council representation in working groups

Strategy

Stefano Negrini
Bob Dellavalle

Editorial Integrity & Efficiency Project

Vanessa Jordan

Future of Evidence Synthesis

Vanessa Jordan
Stefano Negrini

Membership & Awards

Liz Dooley
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Diversity

Silvia Minozzi

Open Access

Bob Dellavalle

Cochrane is changing and the Council is changing

The Council cannot realistically fulfil all of the expectations and functions that are placed on it.

With our broad and diverse community, we need a multi-stranded approach to ensure everyone is represented.

Looking ahead to 2024

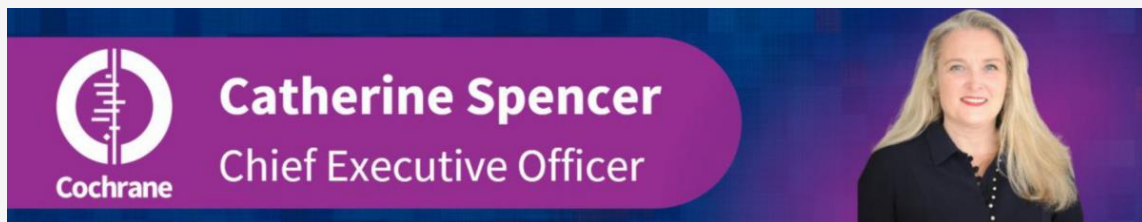
Engagement & Advisory Panel (?)

Members of the Council, Executives and the Governing Board will work in partnership to develop next steps.





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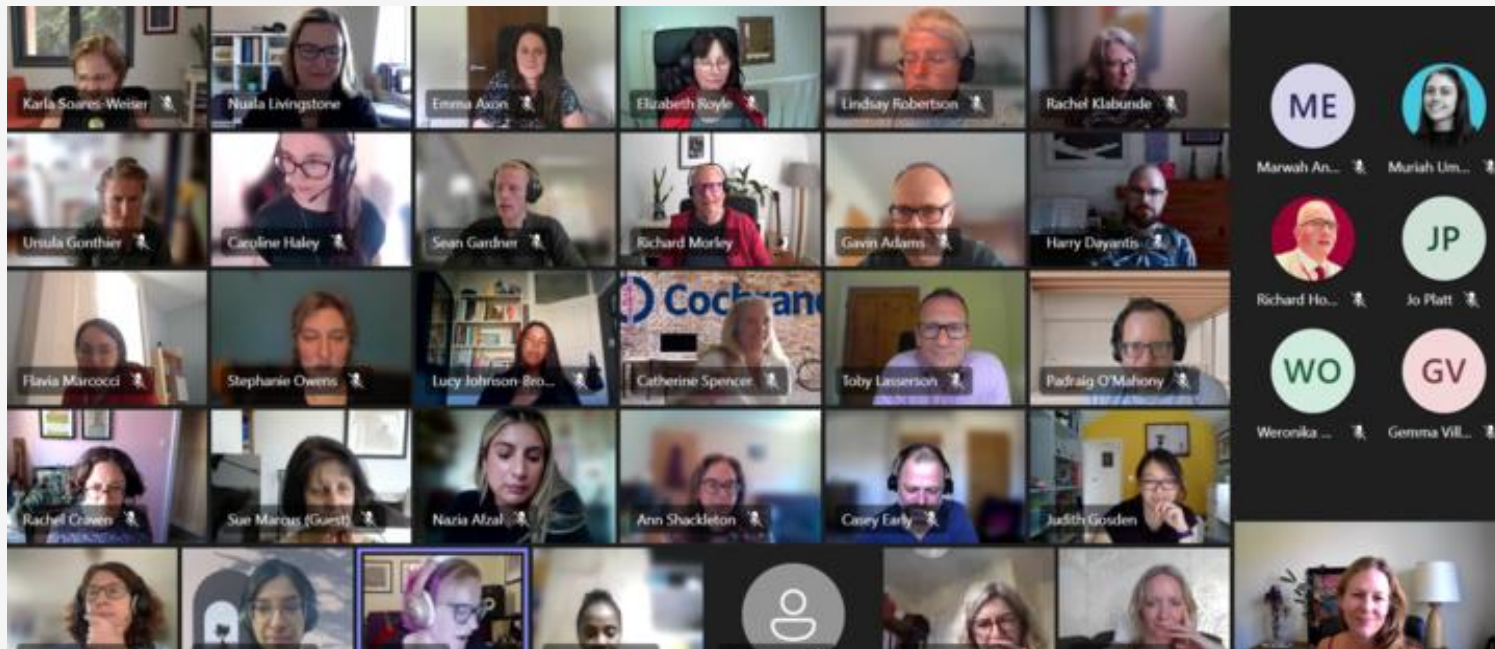


Chief Executive Officer's Report

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Central Executive Team





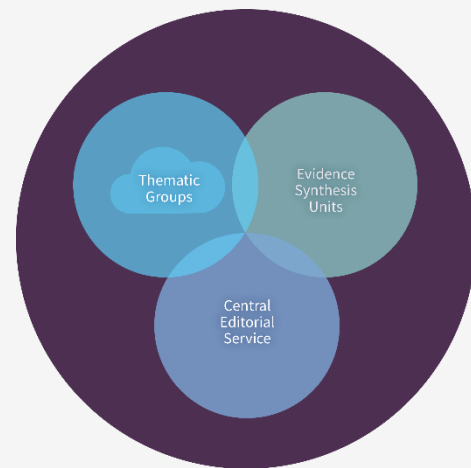
Highlights: Strategy for Change 2021-23

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Goal One: Producing trusted evidence

- Central Editorial Service
- Cochrane Crowd
- RevMan Web



Goal Two: Advocating for evidence

- World Health Assembly
- World Health Organisation, Gates, Pan American Health Organisation
- UN High-Level Meetings
- World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day - 20 October 2023
- Global Evidence Summit 2024

Goal Three: Informing health and care decisions



- 81% of all Cochrane Reviews cost free to access globally.
- Cochrane evidence was translated into 15 languages



Organisational Strategy 2024-2027

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Key outcomes to deliver in our new strategy

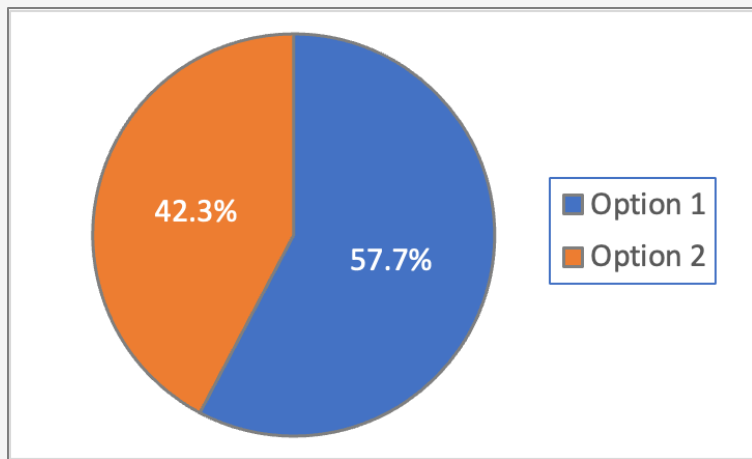
1. Efficient, effective and fair processes
2. Inspire our Community to collaborate, contribute and engage
3. Focusing on global and national priorities to expedite Global and National health and social care improvements.
4. Increasing Equity and Access

Key outcomes to deliver in our new strategy

- 5. Unlock the power of Cochrane Evidence .
- 6. Training and knowledge translation .
- 7. A sustainable organisation.
- 8. Grow our external partnerships to advocate for evidence.

Goal 1 – Theme: Impact and Relevance

Q. What option do you prefer?



Option 1	Prioritize our resources and efforts towards the most urgent, impactful health issues worldwide to drive tangible improvements in global health and wellbeing.
or	
Option 2	Drive improvements in global health and wellbeing through a focused approach, collaborating with our global partners on the biggest, most pressing health challenges.

Source: Cochrane Strategy Survey Responses, as at 2308.23

Goal 1 – Theme: Impact and Relevance

To deliver this, we will make it:

- **Easier, quicker and cheaper** to produce excellent, trusted evidence
- **Simplify, improve and harmonize** our processes
- Deliver an **excellent author experience**.
- **Prioritize and align** our work and resources to stakeholders' needs and funding.
- **Co-ordinate our efforts** to deliver the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.
- Encourage and **nurture innovation** and collaboration



Goal 2 – Theme: Diversity, Inclusivity and Equity

Promote global health equity by ensuring everyone, everywhere, can contribute to, access, and benefit from high-quality, up-to-date evidence.

Goal 2 – Theme: Diversity, Inclusivity and Equity

To deliver this, we will:

- Enable **greater access**
- Tailor our evidence for **different audiences**
- **Inspire more people** to collaborate, contribute and engage with Cochrane
- Build our **global reach and representation** - focus on low and middle-income countries.



Goal 3 – Theme: Advocacy and Collaboration

Promote and increase the inclusion and use of evidence-informed health and care through advocacy, capacity strengthening and knowledge translation.

Goal 3 – Theme: Advocacy and Collaboration

To deliver this, we will:

- educate and **improve understanding** of evidence
- support **local capability** and capacity
- Grow, strengthen and **leverage our relationships** with global, regional and national partners
- **Advocate** and offer leadership for consumer involvement
- Use our **convening power**



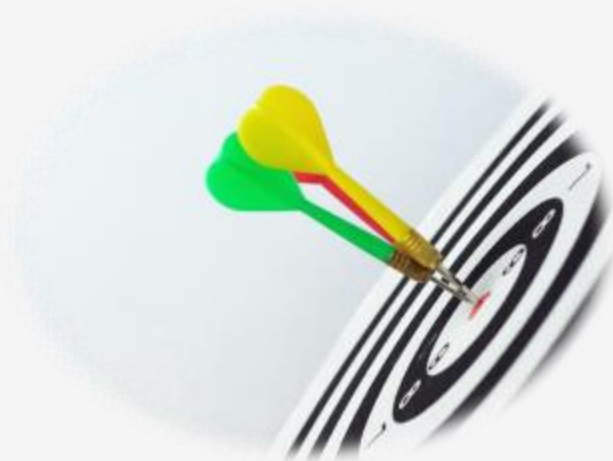
Goal 4 – Theme: Sustainability

Secure our ability to realize our goals and ambitions by establishing a robust, financially sustainable business model.

Goal 4 – Theme: Sustainability

To deliver this, we will develop:

- economically viable **Open Access**
- **fundraising** strategy to diversify and grow our income
- Develop new **income-generating activities**
- Reduce dependency on income from the Cochrane Library.
- Provide **agile and excellent core services**



Editor in Chief's report

Annual General Meeting
London, 2023

Presented by
Dr Karla Soares-Weiser
Editor in Chief

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1993 – where it all started...



1993 inaugural Colloquium of the Cochrane Collaboration in Oxford

Sustained credibility and relevance

The Cochrane Library ...

... can be Trusted to deliver healthcare knowledge without bias

... supports training and education needs for healthcare researchers, policy makers and practitioners

... supports decision-making in policy and practice



Users want timely and accessible information

More likely to use Cochrane Library if ...

The underlying data and analysis of the reviews are easier to access

Visual display of key findings are added

Plain language summaries are improved

Evidence is available faster through fast-track publications



A transformative journey...

Camino de Santiago

France

Spain

Santiago
de Compostela



The world is facing significant challenges



1. Health and social care challenges
2. Limited resources for health systems and workforce
3. Growing prevalence of artificially generated information
4. Complex health agendas

The world is facing significant challenges

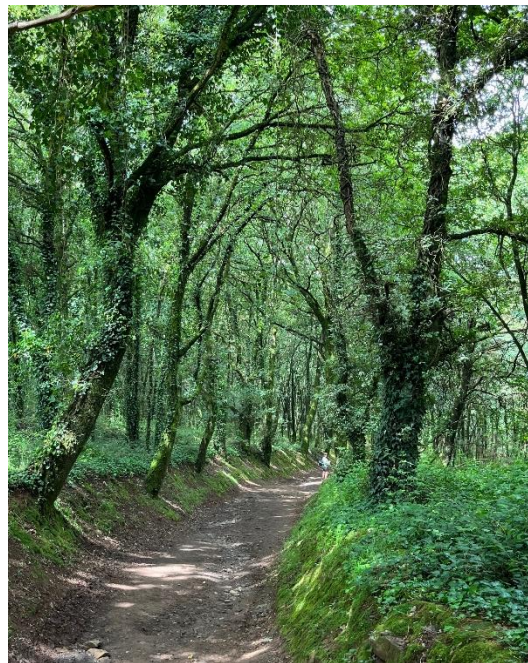


There's a growing need for Cochrane to deliver relevant and trustworthy evidence synthesis to support informed health and care decisions.

Evolving with purpose: Cochrane transformation

- We want to deliver evidence that addresses the world's most pressing health and social care issues.
- To maintain the high-quality of our reviews and timely delivery.
- We want our reviews to be accessible to everyone, everywhere.

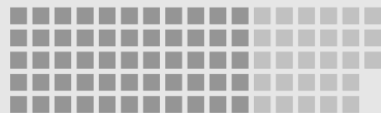
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Measuring Impact: Tangible outcomes of our journey January to July 2023



Median time from acceptance to publication: 83 days



Target: \pm 2 months

77% accepted 23% rejected



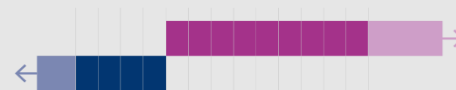
Rollout of RevMan web complete

6,000+ 
users per month

Target for desk rejection

+6 weeks 

73% acceptance decisions within 9 months



70% rejections within 4 months

Launch of focused review format in Sept 2023, opt-in launched on 22 Aug

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Focused Reviews

September 2023

Cochrane Library in 2022



Biblioteca
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Cochrane
Library

343

new or updated
Cochrane Reviews, and
250 protocols published
in 2022

8.4

Impact Factor

83,897

Total citations

181

Countries have access to
the Cochrane Library

222

So far: New or updated
Cochrane Reviews, and
74 protocols in 2023

10.9

5-year Impact Factor

742

Guidelines published in
2022 have used at least
one Cochrane Review

44,000

Translation of plain
language summaries to
16 different languages

Special Collection of diverse evidence to celebrate 30th Anniversary





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Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews Review - Qualitative

Consumers' and health providers' views and perceptions of partnering to improve health services design, delivery and evaluation: a co-produced qualitative evidence synthesis

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Abstract

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Background

Partnering with consumers in the planning, delivery and evaluation of health services is an evidence-based approach to improve health services, in a patient-centred care. There are many ways to partner with consumers to improve health services, including through committees, boards or steering groups. However, consumers' and health providers' group partnerships remain unclear.

In this qualitative evidence synthesis (QES), we focus specifically on formal group partnerships where consumers share decision making about planning, delivering and/or evaluating health services. We selected because they are widely used throughout the world to improve person-centred care.



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Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews Review - Qualitative

Experiences of conditional and unconditional cash transfers intended for improving health outcomes and health service use: a qualitative evidence synthesis

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Abstract

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Background

It is well known that poverty is associated with ill health and that ill health can result in direct and indirect costs that can perpetuate poverty. Social protection, which includes policies and programmes intended to prevent and reduce poverty in times of ill health, could be one way to break this vicious cycle. Social protection, particularly cash transfers, also has the potential to promote healthier behaviours, including healthcare seeking. Although social protection, particularly conditional and unconditional cash transfers, has been widely studied, it is not well known how recipients experience social protection interventions, and what unintended effects such interventions can cause.

Objectives

The aim of this review was to explore how conditional and unconditional cash transfer social protection interventions with a



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Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews Review - Intervention

Antidepressants for pain management in adults with chronic pain: a network meta-analysis

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Abstract

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Background

Chronic pain is common in adults, and often has a detrimental impact upon physical ability. Previous reviews have shown that certain antidepressants may be effective in reducing pain in patients' global impression of change for certain chronic pain conditions. However, there has been no network meta-analysis (NMA) examining all antidepressants across all chronic pain conditions.

Objectives

To assess the comparative efficacy and safety of antidepressants for adults with chronic pain.

Search methods

We searched CENTRAL, MEDLINE, Embase, CINAHL, LILACS, AMED and PsycINFO databases.



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Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews Review - Intervention

Interventions to improve sanitation for preventing diarrhoea

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Background

Diarrhoea is a major contributor to the global disease burden, particularly amongst children under five years in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). As many of the infectious agents associated with diarrhoea are transmitted through faeces, sanitation interventions to safely contain and manage human faeces have the potential to reduce exposure and diarrhoeal disease.

Objectives

To assess the effectiveness of sanitation interventions for preventing diarrhoeal disease, alone or in combination with other WASH interventions.

Search methods

We searched the Cochrane Infectious Diseases Group Specialized Register, CENTRAL, MEDLINE, Embase, LILACS, and Chinese language databases available under the China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI-CAJ). We also searched the metaRe

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Mental Health First Aid as a tool for improving mental health and well-being

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Blue-light filtering spectacle lenses for visual performance, sleep, and macular health in adults

Sumeer Singh, Peter R Keller, Ljoudmila Busija, Patrick McMillan, Eve Makrai, John G Lawrenson, Christopher C Hull,

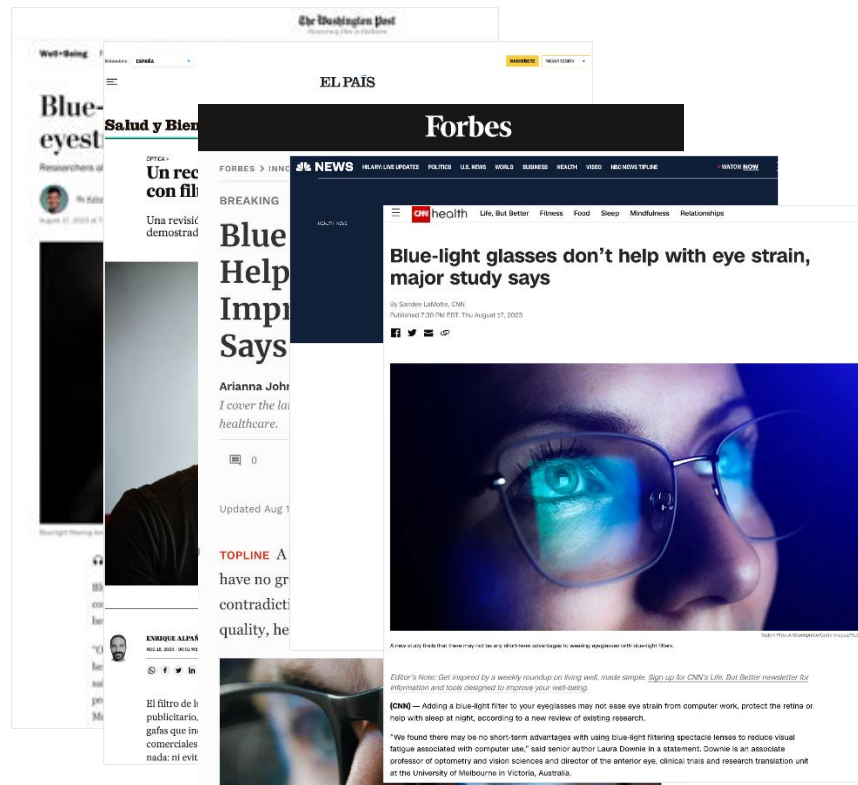
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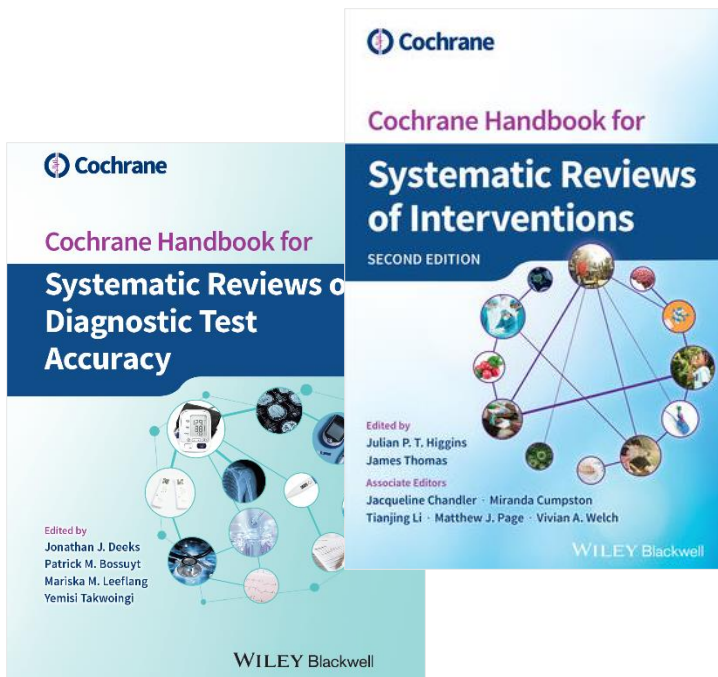
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If you're passionate about advancing high-quality evidence synthesis in the Cochrane ecosystem, this double session is perfect for you! Whether you're a researcher, healthcare professional, or simply a 'methods nerd', join us to gain valuable insights, networking opportunities, and the chance to contribute to the discussion.

- [Session 1: Facilitating review and data reuse across the research ecosystem](#)
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Session 1: Facilitating review and data reuse across the research ecosystem (13:00 to 14:30 BST)

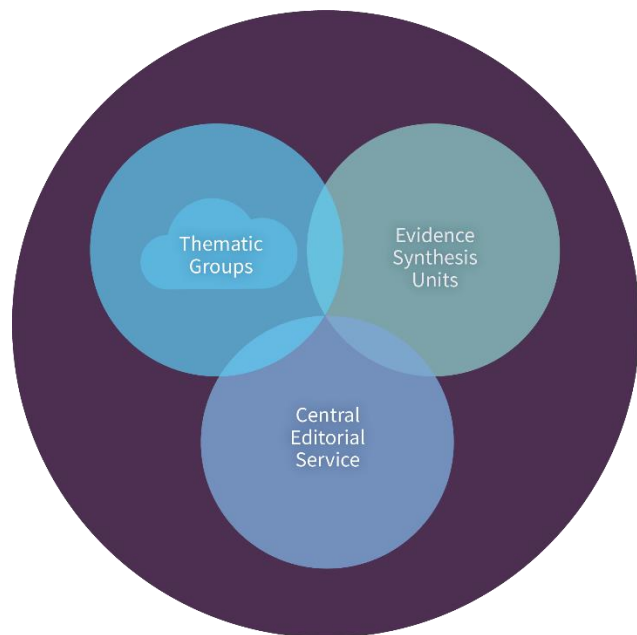
Chaired by Joanne McKenzie and Tianjing Li (Cochrane Methods Executive).

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1. Policy development and implementation
 - Addressing conflict of interest
 - Identifying “problematic studies”
 - Artificial Intelligence in systematic reviews
2. Research-driven policy adjustments, targeting clinical trials integrity issues
3. Broad advocacy with media, academia and global partners

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Opportunities to join Cochrane's Evidence Synthesis Units and Thematic Groups

- **Q4 2023:** call for applications for Evidence Synthesis Units
- **Q1 2024:** a new call for further Thematic Groups to join the current seven launched in 2022

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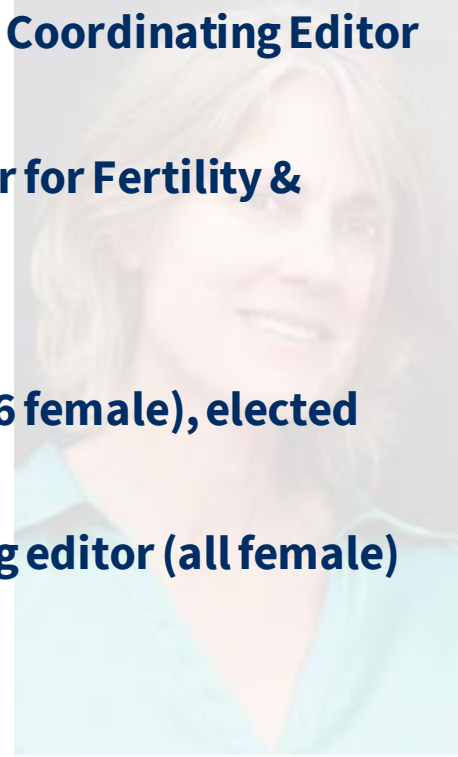


And the 2023 Winner is

Madelon Van Wely



- **Clinical epidemiologist at the Amsterdam University Medical Center with specific focus on Women's Health**
- **Coordinating Editor of the Cochrane Gynaecology and Fertility and Coordinating Editor of the Cochrane Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) Group**
- **Methodology Editor Human Reproduction Update & Editorial editor for Fertility & Sterility**
- **Supervised 16 PhDs as Co-Promotor (14 females)**
- **Supervised 8 master students (all female), 28 Bachelor students (26 female), elected Best Bachelor Thesis Mentor, Faculty of Medicine, 2018**
- **Currently supervising four PhDs, 4 master students and 1 managing editor (all female)**
- **~300 peer-reviewed publications**



Kenneth Warren Prize

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Goes to the principal author of a systematic review, published in The *Cochrane Library* by a national living in a developing country, that is **judged to be both of high methodological quality and relevant to health problems in developing countries.**

And the 2023 Winner is

Rashmi Ranjan

Cochrane Review: Vitamin D as an adjunct to antibiotics for the treatment of acute childhood pneumonia



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Those who have made an extraordinary, longstanding contribution to the organization.

Emeritus members

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Emeritus:

- Gerd Antes
- Sally Bell-Syer
- Xavier Bonfill
- Iain Chalmers
- Kay Dickersin
- Muir Gray
- Jini Hetherington
- Sophie Hill
- Anne Lyddiatt
- Nandi Siegfried
- Prathap Tharyan

• Lifetime:

- Peter Herbison
- Anne Lethaby

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Emeritus members

Individuals who made a significant long-standing contribution to the leadership of the organization.



Gerd Antes

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"Cochrane Germany, Cochrane Switzerland and Cochrane Austria are sending congratulations to Gerd on his well-deserved emeritus status. Throughout his career, Gerd has been a driving force in the advancement of evidence-based healthcare and critical thinking, particularly in the German-speaking countries. Our collaboration spans many years, and we have greatly enjoyed working with him. We are so very pleased to see Cochrane honor his life-time contributions. Without Gerd's support, Cochrane Germany, Cochrane Switzerland and Cochrane Austria would not be where they are today. Vielen Dank, Gerd!"

Joerg Meerpohl, Erik von Elm and Gerald Gartlehner

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Sally Bell-Syer - In 1999, I was undertaking a series of systematic reviews at the University of York when I was approached by Nicky Cullum, the Co-ordinating Editor of the Cochrane Wounds Group, and asked if I would be interested in joining their team as their Trial Search Co-ordinator (now Information Specialist). This was an



Lifetime Membership

Linda Clare
Leon Flicker
Patricia Graves
Fiona Rowe
Karen Steingart
Maoling Wei



Emeritus Membership

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Martin Burton
Nicky Cullum
Gladys Faba
Paul Garner
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Malinee Laopaiboon
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**Thank you to all Emeritus and Lifetime
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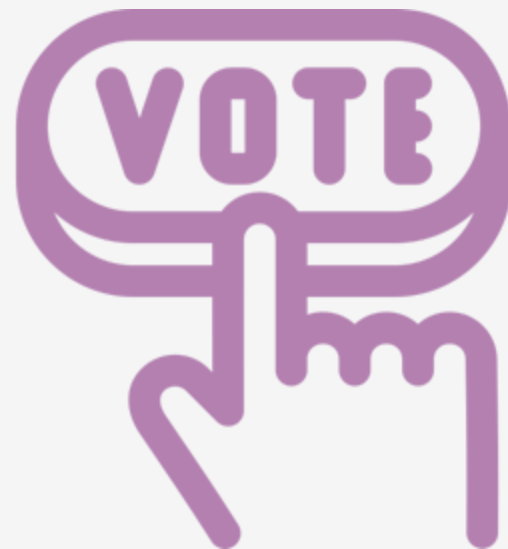
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