



Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to Issue 48 of the Centre & Fields Digest, which is published monthly. This Digest provides information particularly relevant to Cochrane's Geographic Groups and Fields, including consumers. It will include a round-up of pertinent information also published in the Community newsletter and on the Cochrane websites. It is the sister publication to the [Review and Methods Digest](#), which is sent to CRGs and Methods Groups.

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ITEMS FOR YOUR ACTION:

1. 2019 Financial & Resource Monitoring of Cochrane Groups- Deadline 20th September 2019

The 2019 financial and resource monitoring of Cochrane Groups is taking place with a final deadline for submissions on Friday 20th September 2019. Monitoring of Cochrane Groups takes place annually. The information provided by Groups supports an organization-wide data-gathering exercise that gives a picture of Cochrane's overall 'financial health' For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#). To access the monitoring form, please click [here](#).

2. Cochrane 2018 Annual Review now available

Cochrane's 2018 Annual Review is now available for download and dissemination. To find out more about what we achieved in 2018, what's happening across the organization in 2019, and links to share with stakeholders, please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

3. Cochrane Priority-Setting & helping Cochrane Airways Group with its priority-setting process - Deadline: 9th September

In order to be relevant to the needs of users, Cochrane evidence needs to respond to national, regional, and global health priorities. The Current Cochrane Group Priority Setting Projects page provides a round-up of current priority setting activities submitted by Cochrane Groups - updated throughout the month. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

Cochrane Airways has made its priority setting plan for 2019, you can read it [here](#). The Airways Group is seeking members for a new priority-setting advisory group. The group will work with the Cochrane Airways Editorial team to identify review topics and rank them in terms of priority (how important the questions are to people making decisions about respiratory health). For more information, please visit the [Cochrane Airways website](#). [Cochrane Airways are also running a survey for](#) members of the public including patients, carers, healthcare professionals and researchers. We want to know your questions about living with a chronic lung disease. To complete the survey, please click [here](#).

COCHRANE COLLOQUIUM SANTIAGO OCTOBER 2019 NEWS:

4. Cochrane Colloquium discounts announced for Latin American Colloquium registrants

Special discounts are still available for group registrations and participants from some Latin American countries including: Argentina, Uruguay, Panama and Chile. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

5. Be part of the Cochrane Community stand at the Colloquium

The Cochrane Community Stand has traditionally been a hub of activity and a gathering point for both members and for those new to Cochrane - we want you to be a part of it! For more information, please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

6. 2019 Cochrane Colloquium Scientific Programme

Cochrane is proud announce final scientific programme for the Santiago Colloquium, October 22-25, 2019. The Cochrane Colloquium, Cochrane's flagship annual event, will highlight this year's theme of 'Embracing Diversity'. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

7. Cochrane Colloquium Santiago October 2019 news posts and blogs

- [How to survive a Cochrane Colloquium](#)

ITEMS FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

8. Newly-elected Co-Chair of the Governing Board: Catherine Marshall

At its teleconference on 10 July, the Governing Board voted unanimously to appoint Catherine Marshall as its new Co-Chair from 1 September 2019. Catherine will work alongside fellow Co-Chair Martin Burton, and replace Marguerite Koster, who is stepping down from the role after one year due to increased commitments in her job at Kaiser Permanente, in Southern California, but will remain on the Board as a member. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

9. Cochrane Governing Board meeting minutes from its July 2019 teleconference and its April meeting in Krakow are now available.

The minutes from the Governing Board's teleconference, July 2019, are available [here](#).

The minutes from the April 2019 Krakow meeting are available [here](#).

10. Newly-elected member of the Cochrane Council: Stefano Negrini

We are delighted to announce that Stefano Negrini has been elected as a Field representative on the Cochrane Council alongside Craig Lockwood, who is also the Council Co-Chair. Stefano is the Director of Cochrane Rehabilitation Field and an author for Cochrane Back and Neck and Cochrane Stroke. He is based in Brescia, Italy. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

11. Cochrane April - June 2019: Highlights from Q2

April to June 2019, was a busy quarter for Cochrane! Here we provide some highlights of the second quarter of the year. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

12. 2018 Journal Impact Factor for Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews is 7.755

In June 2019, the 2018 Journal Citation Report was released by Clarivate Analytics, and we are delighted to announce that Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) Journal Impact Factor is now **7.755**. This is an increase on the 2017 Journal Impact Factor, which was 6.754. This means that, in 2018, a Cochrane Review was cited on average, once every 8 minutes!

For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

13. Cochrane's strategy for improved future editorial management systems

Cochrane is currently reviewing the editorial management systems used by our editors and authors to prepare Cochrane Reviews, and the other content published in the Cochrane Library. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

14. Cochrane's Neurological Sciences Field launches 2019 Summer School for young physicians and trainees interested in cerebrovascular diseases

Together with support from the Umbria Region Health Authority, Perugia, Italy, Cochrane's Neurological Sciences Field is organizing a four-day Summer School 10-13 September 2019. The residential course targeted to young physicians and trainees interested in cerebrovascular diseases, aims to present, discuss and appraise key methodological issues encountered in clinical practice with examples in vascular neurology. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

16. Cochrane at the WHO Cochrane Rehabilitation support Rehabilitation 2030

Cochrane Rehabilitation supporting Rehabilitation 2030

In this blog post, Stefano Negrini from Cochrane Rehabilitation explains how the Field is supporting WHO's Rehabilitation 2030 programme, which is developing tools to help Ministries of Health to plan and integrate evidence-based rehabilitation programmes. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

Supporting health research in the African Region and advising on immunization at the global level

As well as serving as Director of Cochrane South Africa, Charles Shey Wiysonge is active with WHO work, both on health research in the WHO African Region and advising on immunization guidelines globally. In this interview, he gives an overview of this work. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

17. Cochrane supports European regulators as they urge clinical trial sponsors to share their results

Cochrane's Editor in Chief supports an open letter recently co-authored by the European Commission (EC), the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the Heads of Medicines Agencies (HMA), reminding clinical trial sponsors of their obligation to make their results public. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

18. The Cochrane International Mobility Programme in Cochrane Croatia

This summer Cochrane Croatia took part in the Cochrane International Mobility (CIM) Programme and hosted a brilliant, smart and hardworking young colleague, Sarah Tanveer, one of the Cochrane's 30 under 30. For more information please visit the [Cochrane Community website](#).

19. New learning resources

- [Designing Knowledge Translation Strategies: Using online surveys to identify target audience characteristics and evidence needs](#)
- [Cochrane launches Cochrane's Evidence Essentials: An introduction to evidence-based medicine and systematic reviews](#)
- [Cochrane and Wikipedia: Improve online health-related information accessed by billions of people each year. How, When, and Why](#)

20. Cochrane Learning Live- upcoming webinar programme

- [Patient and public involvement in research: What, why and how?](#)
- [Motivating, Managing and Training Volunteers: The Case of Linguistic Volunteering at Cochrane](#)

21. Current Cochrane Jobs

There are exciting opportunities currently available to work for Cochrane's Central Executive Team. We are looking for:

- Co-ordinating Editor- Deadline: 1st September 2019
- Systematic Review Methodologist- Deadline: 4th September

For more information, please see [Cochrane Jobs](#).

22. More Cochrane Community news posts and blogs

- [Upcoming Events](#)
- [Survey Round-Up](#)

- [Tender and Funding Round-Up](#) - A round-up of active tender and funding opportunities that may be of interest to Cochrane contributors, authors, and groups - updated through the month.
- [5 ways your Cochrane Group can make the most out of Evidence Essentials](#)
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The Centre & Fields Digest is created by the Chief Executive Officer's Office. We intend to make it available every month and to bring together various items of content that we think will be of interest, to maximise communication and minimise inbox overload. If you wish to submit content please contact [Lorna McAlley](#), Executive Assistant to the CEO. We hope that you will find the Digest interesting and informative, and also that it will provide you with opportunities for communicating your views and suggestions.

Best wishes,

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