



Centre and Fields Digest



Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the 23rd edition of the Centre & Fields Digest.

The Digest provides information particularly relevant to Cochrane's Geographic Groups and Fields, including consumers, and 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](#) published by the Cochrane Editorial Unit, which is sent to CRGs and Methods Groups.

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ITEMS FOR YOUR ACTION:

1) Recognizing and celebrating contributors who deliver outstanding work for Cochrane – call for nominations for Cochrane prizes and awards ends tomorrow

Every year Cochrane awards members of its community a range of prizes that highlight high-quality methodological research through to supporting health decision-making in developing countries, and contributors who have made a significant contribution to the enhancement of female participation within our organization. The prizes and awards that are presented at the annual Colloquia will this year be awarded at the [Global Evidence Summit](#) in Cape Town, South Africa on 14 September.

Submissions to the Kenneth Warren, Chris Silagy, and Bill Silverman Prizes as well as the Anne Anderson Award are now open. You have until the 30 June 2017 to make your nominations. For more information, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

2) Find out why you should come to the GES – Early Bird registration ends tomorrow

Trying to make a decision about attending the first-ever Global Evidence Summit? Find out more about what's on the programme on the [Cochrane Community website](#).

3) Invitation to attend Knowledge Translation (KT) community webinars and share your ideas and knowledge: 5 and 6 July 2017

You are invited to attend one of two KT webinars to share your ideas and knowledge:

- Wednesday 5 July at 20:00 BST
- Thursday 6 July at 12:00 BST

The KT framework and implementation priorities for the next two years will be discussed, and there will be opportunities for you to be a part of its future development. Everyone is welcome to join either webinar and they will be made freely available on the Cochrane Community site.

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

4) Would you like to host a future Cochrane Colloquium or Governance Meeting? Deadline for submissions 28 July 2017

We are looking for Cochrane Groups to host the 2020 and 2021 Cochrane Colloquia; and the 2019, 2020 and 2021 Cochrane Governance Meetings. For more information, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

ITEMS FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

5) Cochrane's Editor in Chief leave of absence

For news regarding David Tovey's absence, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

6) 2016 Impact Factor for Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews is 6.124

The 2016 Journal Citation Report (JCR) has just been released by Clarivate Analytics (formerly Thomson ISI), and we are pleased to announce that Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) Impact Factor is now **6.124**. For more information, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

7) A double Cochrane celebration in Croatia – Cochrane Croatia gets independent Centre status

A double celebration of Cochrane was organized this year in Croatia where, in addition to the annual [Croatian Cochrane Symposium](#), a celebration of Cochrane Croatia's independent Centre status was held on 8 June to a large crowd of Cochrane supporters, including government officials, health professionals, and students. For more information, please see [Cochrane.org](#).

8) Cochrane Japan gets independent Centre status

Cochrane Japan has been recognized for its outstanding achievements in promoting evidence-based decision-making in health care by moving from an Associate Centre to being awarded full, independent Centre status. For more information, please see [Cochrane.org](#).

9) Celebrating 20 years of Cochrane in Spain

This year is the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the first Cochrane Centre in Spain. It was founded in 1997 as the Spanish Cochrane Centre and was located at the Corporació Sanitària Parc Taulí in Sabadell. In 2000, the Centre was renamed the Iberoamerican Cochrane Centre (IbCC), and has continued its activity at its current headquarters in the Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau in Barcelona. For more information, please see [Cochrane.org](#).

10) Living Systematic Reviews are going live

Cochrane's [Project Transform](#) team, in partnership with the LSR Network, have been working away for some time on the methods, and production and publication processes needed for Cochrane to be able to pilot Living Systematic Reviews (LSRs). After successful meetings and events at the Cochrane Colloquium in Seoul, and a recent two-day workshop following the Canadian Cochrane Symposium, the pilots are very nearly 'go for launch'! For more information, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

11) Former South African Minister of Finance will open the Global Evidence Summit

Trevor Manuel, who served in the South African government as Minister of Finance from 1996 to 2009, during the presidencies of Nelson Mandela, Thabo Mbeki, Kgalema Motlanthe, and subsequently as Minister in the Presidency under President Jacob Zuma, will be the first plenary speaker at the [Global Evidence Summit](#). Trevor Manuel will address the Summit in the opening Plenary on Wednesday 13 September, 9am -10.30am. For more information, please see the [Cochrane Community website](#).

12) Latest health evidence shows that making changes to diet, physical activity and behaviour may reduce obesity in children and adolescents

Two new Cochrane Reviews are the last in a series of related systematic reviews summarizing evidence on the effects of different interventions for treating obesity and overweight in childhood and adolescence. For more information, please see [Cochrane.org](#).

13) More Cochrane Community news posts and blogs

- [Upcoming events](#)
- [Survey round-up June 2017](#)
- [National one-click access to evidence-based Cochrane Reviews for South Africans](#)
- [Health Minister names Cochrane Australia researcher top grant applicant](#)
- [Cochrane and Conflict of Interest](#)

For all current opportunities, please see [Cochrane Jobs](#)

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Best wishes,

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