

Campbell & Cochrane Economics Methods Group

Update Report Sept 2018

Convenors

Nominations for new convenors have been invited from members. There are two positions and so far three nominees. Closing date for nominations in mid-Sept. If there are more than 2 eligible nominees an election will be held with the electorate being group members as at 1st August 2018.

Website

Changes to the website have been made to update and refresh presentation and content (<https://methods.cochrane.org/economics/>). Thanks for this go to Eugenie Johnson

Workshops and Colloquium

Cochrane Colloquium

A Methods Workshop on brief economic commentaries will be presented at the Cochrane Colloquium in Edinburgh. A satellite workshop based on the Cochrane online module on health economics. Registration for this and the other preconference workshops is still open. <https://colloquium.cochrane.org/satellite-workshops/introduction-economics-methods>

Approx 20 people will be attending the satellite workshop and presenters will be Luke Vale and Denny John (Campbell)

Attendance at brief economic commentaries workshop is currently unknown but the workshop will be presented by Patricia Aluko and Luke Vale

Wider Cochrane Developments

Handbook

Cochrane handbook chapter will be an early release to Archie members at the Colloquium (on Sept 17). This chapter focuses on the brief economic commentaries approach. To support the chapter three supplementary files are now urgently needed for the website. These will be based on material in the original draft:

- A brief outline of economic concepts
- A description of the process for the integrated full review of economic evidence
- A glossary of terms based on chapter 10 of the 2010 book "Shemilt I, Mugford M, Donaldson C, Vale L, Marsh K. Evidence based economics. Wiley Books, London, 2010.

Papers

No new papers to report since July.

Vote for method group executive

A vote is now open for Methods Convenors who wish to represent their Methods Group on the new Methods Executive. There are two vacant positions for which experienced Methods Groups Convenors can self-nominate.

Closing date for the vote is: 7th Sept 2018 12 midnight BST. Candidates are:

Susan Golder, Convenor of Adverse Effects Methods Group, University of York, UK.

Valerie J. King, Convenor of Rapid Reviews Methods Group, Center for Evidence-based Policy, Oregon Health & Science University, USA.

KGM (Carl) Moons, Convenor of Prognosis Methods Group and actively involved in the IPD MA Methods Group, Julius Center for Health Sciences and Primary Care, and Cochrane Netherlands. UMC Utrecht, Utrecht University, The Netherlands



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Campbell update

Methods guide update

The following programme of work has been agreed and any volunteers to assist would be appreciated.

- a) Review of systematic reviews reporting economic methods and outcomes in Campbell library (Denny John to Lead)
- b) Discussion paper on Economic Evidence in Systematic Reviews
- c) Update the Campbell Economic Methods Brief
- d) Initiate some work on equity considerations in cost-effectiveness analysis

This has now been agreed and further discussion will be carried out at the Cochrane Colloquium

Campbell

A workshop on systematic reviews, economic evaluation and Health Technology assessment will be held in Hyderabad 16-20 July. The workshop was attended by 15 people and was very well received. A plan for a further workshop in Mumbai is proposed for Feb 2018.