

Workshops and Colloquium

Cochrane Collaboration, Vienna September 2015

Luke Vale, Erin Graybill and Ian Shemilt are planning to attend. Workshops have been accepted for brief economic commentaries and for incorporation of health economics into Cochrane Intervention Reviews. These workshop materials need to be revised to re

A two day satellite workshop on health economics pitched at the level of an economic module on a masters of public health will be held prior to the conference (led by dr L Ternent and Luke Vale, Newcastle University). This was open to 25 participants for a nominal fee (Euro 75). This is now fully booked.

Uk Contributors Meeting, Dublin April 2015

Feedback from Ian Shemilt

Update on Information resources

NHS EED and HEED

No further progress on this since last meeting. Discussions are or have been taking place between Cochrane and York University on updating these data bases.

Papers

Cochrane Methods Supplement

An article for the *Cochrane Methods Supplement* has been submitted. Thanks to Cate Henderson and other convenors that contributed. A final version can be circulated on request and we anticipate that this will be published in the autumn.

BMJ Response

A response on behalf of the methods group to the article: The knowledge system underpinning healthcare is not fit for purpose and must change (<http://www.bmj.com/content/350/bmj.h2463>) has been submitted. With thanks to Ian Shemilt, Ed Wilson and other convenors for crafting. The response can be viewed at: <http://www.bmj.com/content/350/bmj.h2463/rapid-responses>

Cochrane Handbook – Erin Graybill continues to work on this.

GRADE Epidemiology article. Luke Vale contacted Holger Schunemann, (several times). He has not yet received a response.

Research

A request for collaboration has been received from the European Monitoring Centre for drugs and addiction (<http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/best-practice>) for a systematic literature review, as I said, on the economic evaluations of various types of health interventions in the addiction field, especially in illicit drugs, starting in 2000 until now. The time frame would be negotiable, but it should be finished in one year, approximately. The group has 5000€ to finance this project. A request will be sent to all members.