2023
Convenors: Lisa Askie, Jesse Berlin, Anna Lene Seidler
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Highlight:
Published step-by-step guidance on how to conduct searches of clinical trials registers to identify planned, ongoing and unpublished studies for incorporation into systematic reviews, and to facilitate prospective meta-analyses

Research and development
- Published protocol on the development of standard items for processing of individual participant data for meta-analyses with members of the IPD Meta-analysis Methods Group.
- Published scoping review on reporting of systematic review protocols with network meta-analysis.
- Finalising guidance on integrity assessment of trials included in individual participant data meta-analyses, and the project management and bureaucracy involved in conducting large collaborative projects.

Best practice and guidance
- Led Cochrane Training webinar “Searching clinical trials registers: guide for systematic reviewers”.
- Presented at the Association for Interdisciplinary Meta-research and Open Science (AIMOS) Conference on considerations for use of secondary data in health research and assessment of data integrity for individual participant data meta-analyses.
- Podium presentation at Peer Review Congress in Chicago on the prevalence and characteristics of data sharing policies across the health research life cycle.

Methods implementation
- Will be presenting at the 2023 Cochrane Methods Symposium.
- Joined the Editorial Board for Cochrane’s new flagship methods journal: Cochrane Evidence Synthesis and Methods.