

Research and development



Background

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Traditional narrative reviews, usually written by a recognized expert, are generally not systematic. Authors might simply not have the time to identify and bring together all the relevant research or they might actually seek to discuss and selectively cite/study studies that confirm their opinions and prejudices. A systematic review aims to discover the weakness by the use of a predefined, explicit methodology. The methods used include steps to minimize bias in the identification of relevant studies, in the selection criteria for inclusion, and in the collection

Since 1963, the Cochrane Collaboration, through the establishment of Cochrane Review Groups across healthcare topics, has been preparing systematic reviews (Cochrane reviews) of the effects of interventions. These are published in full, in electronic form, in *The Cochrane Library*. There are now more than 4000 full reviews available, together with protocols for a further 1500. Access to the Cochrane Library is available free of charge to anyone who is interested access the latest version of reviews using the following link: www.cochrane.org. Approval to use the name Research Group Dublin in Dublin and the Health and Social Care Research & Development Group (HSC R&D Group) in Northern Ireland.

These courses will be led by personnel from the UK Cochrane Centre and people from the Island of Ireland coordinated to worldwide regions.

Eligibility

These courses will be particularly suitable for health care professionals and researchers and policy makers who require an understanding of the experience of extensive health practice, who wish to improve their practice and/or who wish to conduct a systematic review in the near future. Applicants from Northern Ireland must be employed within the Health & Social Care (HSC), voluntary/not for profit organisations providing health and social care or within an academic institution. Places will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis, with due regard to geographical spread.

Details

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Target group

Wider Research Community

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