



Editorial

Building the evidence base of upstream public health interventions is certainly a stimulating spot to be working in at the moment!

We have been thrilled with the interest by potential author teams and thank you all for your passion and patience as we field interest in similar and overlapping topics from teams in different countries - building a matrix of priorities, related topics, and gaps, is high on our agenda as we realize that there are many areas of high policy priority that sit squarely in our group's scope. We are also working closely with the WHO, Geneva and Eastern to register a new Collaborating Centre to continue the action arising from the Commission on Social Determinants of Health, which is likely to be named Evidence for Health Equity.

We would love to hear more from those who might be interested in contributing to key areas of development, particularly research projects associated with quality processes for reviews, and in locating interested and experienced editors from low and middle income countries.

We would also like to pay tribute to Marlene Mirza from McMaster University in Ontario, Canada and express our sadness and condolences to her family and friends. Marlene passed away suddenly in January this year. Marlene was working with friends and colleagues Donna Ciluska and Helen Thomas at the National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools and coordinating a new 'exemplar' review for the Cochrane PHG.

In May, the editorial team will come together again to tackle some of the major issues involved with public health reviews, such as the use of logic models, selection and integration of qualitative research, assessment of sustainability, transferability and generalisability and building the studies register. The outcome of which will be citable publications that will be useful not only in research methodologies for synthesis of public health evidence, but also in the design and development of primary research and policy evaluations. We hope to have these out and available by the end of the year, and certainly will make the notes and discussions available on our website as soon as we can.

Finally, in case they might be useful, we do have a range of comprehensive training materials on the Cochrane PHG, evidence informed public health, systematic reviews and knowledge translation. As you would appreciate, we don't have a travel budget or time to facilitate developments personally, but do welcome interest and enthusiasm by others in this area and would love to support you in leading initiatives in your parts of the world.

With very best wishes, Liz

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Alignment of current and future PHG reviews with the CSDH

We have recently undertaken to align the Cochrane Public Health Review Group's ongoing and planned reviews to the recommendations from the WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health. We identified that the topics and reviews-in-progress within the Cochrane Public Health Review Group were of relevance to quite a number of the Commissions recommendations. For example, a title under development, *School-time scheduling and its effects on the health and wellbeing of students* is relevant to the recommendation to "Provide quality compulsory primary and secondary education for all boys and girls, regardless of ability to pay [and] Identify and address the barriers to girls and boys enrolling and staying in school and abolish user fees for primary school".

We shall look to whether more review titles should be prioritised based on these intervention recommendations or at this stage to push for the uptake and/or completion of existing aligned titles. For the list of titles as aligned to some of the WHO recommendations, please visit: [www.ph.cochrane.org/Files/CSDH%20Recommendation PHRG%20alignment.pdf](http://www.ph.cochrane.org/Files/CSDH%20Recommendation%20PHRG%20alignment.pdf)

Reviews underway

New protocols under development

The PHRG now has five registered titles. Protocols for these reviews are now under development.

- Community-level interventions to improve food security in developed countries
- Workplace organisational interventions for preventing adult obesity
- Flexible working conditions and their effects on employee health and well being
- Community wide activities for increasing physical activity
- Wheat Flour Fortification with Iron for Reducing Anaemia and Improving Iron Status in at-risk populations

We have also just had a published protocol (for April issue) transferred to our group, entitled, Collaboration between local health and local government agencies for health improvement. This title was managed to protocol stage, with input from a couple of our editors, by the Cochrane EPOC Group during the PHRG's transition to a review group.

Titles currently under development

- Population-level interventions for improving health outcomes in ex-prisoners
- Interventions utilising marketing strategies for promoting healthy eating behaviours in young people
- School-based nutrition interventions for increasing fruit and vegetable consumption in primary school children
- Interventions aimed at enhancing access for increased consumption of fruits and vegetables
- Pricing policies for increasing healthy food choices
- School-time scheduling for increasing the health and wellbeing of students
- Community-building interventions for improving physical, social and mental health
- Housing improvement interventions for improving health and social outcomes (Campbell protocol for co-registration)
- Oral health promotion for oral health
- Interventions addressing gender disparities in family food distribution for improving child nutrition

Update on the PHRG Specialized Studies Register

Identifying Records from the Specialized Register in CENTRAL

A core function of a Cochrane Review Group (CRG) is the development and management of a Specialized Register (SR). The reports of controlled trials that are identified for the register are shared with Cochrane Library users via the quarterly submission to CENTRAL (Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials). Each record of a report that has been submitted from an SR is assigned an SR code in CENTRAL. The code that has recently been allocated to the Public Health Group is SR-PUBHLTH. In future, users of CENTRAL will be able to restrict their searches to records that have been submitted from the Public Health Group SR by entering the group code into the search box between double quotation marks and searching all text.

The SR for the Health Promotion and Public Health (HPPH) field, which preceded the Public Health Group, continues to be maintained as the TROPHI database hosted by the EPPI-Centre (<http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/webdatabases/Intro.aspx?ID=5>). Reports of controlled trials from this database are submitted to CENTRAL and these records can be identified in CENTRAL with the code: SR-HEALTHP.

For Issue 2 of The Cochrane Library 130 records were submitted for SR-PUBHLTH and 3682 records for SR-HEALTHP.

Helen Morgan (Trial Search Coordinator)

Recent funding success for PHRG authors

The Cochrane Public Health Group (CPHG) has recently been successful in leveraging funding to support the production of two terrific reviews. **Dr Clare Bambra**, from Durham University, will receive £5,000 from the UK Department of Health to support her and her team to complete the review, *Flexible working conditions for improving employee health and well being* within one year. Co-ordinating Editors of all Cochrane Review Groups based within and outside of the UK, were invited to nominate up to three reviews or review updates that they considered important and for which they considered the award of an incentive payment would lead to completion of work at a significantly earlier time. The CPHG also supported the recently successful application by Northern Ireland author, **Dr Janice Christie**, for a Cochrane Fellowship to support her in undertaking the review, *Workplace organisational interventions for preventing adult obesity*. Both of these funding opportunities are offered annually so are relevant to keep in mind if you are considering conducting a review.

Report from the 2008 Cochrane Colloquium – Freiburg, Germany

Every year the Cochrane Collaboration hosts a Colloquium – a chance for editors, authors, consumers, researchers and entity staff to come together to share ideas, build collaborations and develop methods for conducting systematic reviews. This year's meeting was held in Freiburg, a small University town close to the Black Forest in Germany. The Colloquium was the first attended by the Public Health Review Group since our registration in April 2008. A number of our editors, authors and entity staff attended.



Staff of the PHRG from Cardiff and Melbourne



Some attendees at the PHRG meeting

We used the Cochrane Colloquium as an opportunity to raise the profile of the Public Health Review Group in Germany. Jodie and Rebecca worked closely with our colleague Julia Kreis (who is based in Germany) and ran a one-day workshop on Conducting Reviews of Public Health Interventions. The workshop was fully subscribed and we had 26 participants. The group agreed to establish an interest group to continue to build interest in systematic reviews in Germany.

2009 Cochrane Colloquium Singapore—Please join us!

The PHRG will be attending the 17th Cochrane Colloquium in Singapore, September 11th-14th, 2009. We hope to see you there! For information, please visit:

<http://www.colloquium09.com>



PHRG Training update

Training for the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta: Conducting Reviews of Public Health Interventions

Rebecca Armstrong and Laurie Anderson (one of our Cochrane Public Health Review Group Editors) ran two 2-day short courses at the US Centres for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, USA in November 2008. Participants were primarily from the global health although other program area staff attended. The courses were a great success with more than 30 participants attending. Many hope to go on and conduct Cochrane Reviews in their program work areas. Another two courses will be run in December and Prof Elizabeth Waters will visit Atlanta in early February to meet with Senior Executive staff at CDC to further strengthen our collaborative activities.



CDC staff who attended the first of our 2-day short courses

Introducing the Editors of the Public Health Review Group

Dr Anderson is a health scientist with the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention and an Affiliate Professor, Epidemiology, School of Public Health and Community Medicine, University of Washington, Seattle. Laurie's current work involves the systematic review of epidemiological studies of stroke to provide new estimates for the Global Burden of Disease Study. She has also lead systematic review teams for evidence synthesis in the areas of public health nutrition, obesity prevention and control, and upstream socio-cultural determinants of health inequalities (e.g. family housing, early childhood development, culturally competent healthcare systems) for the US Task Force on Community Preventive Services.

Laurie is currently the Contact Editor for two planned Cochrane reviews:

- Health and socioeconomic impacts of housing improvement
- Oral health promotion interventions



Two interesting jobs I have had in my life...

Delivering public health services to Mexican migrant farm workers in California's San Joaquin Valley.

Developing a mobile clinic program using large motor vehicles equipped as clinic suites to bring health and social services to families in remote mountainous lumber mill towns too sparsely populated to have permanent services.

Two wonderful places I have lived in the world...

Bad Nauheim, Germany and San Francisco, California

Two people I would love to have dinner with...

Amartya Sen and Jimmy Carter

News from the Cochrane Collaboration

New Methods Working Group to improve quality of Cochrane reviews

The Cochrane Coordinating Editors executive, Methods Groups and the Handbook Advisory Group have recently been meeting to try and improve the methodological quality of Cochrane Reviews. This effort has been encouraged by the Collaboration's Steering Group, who have agreed to a new group within the Collaboration, named the 'Co-Eds-Methods Working Group'. The remit and structure of the group may change once the Editor-in-Chief begins work.

There are three key terms of reference for this new group:

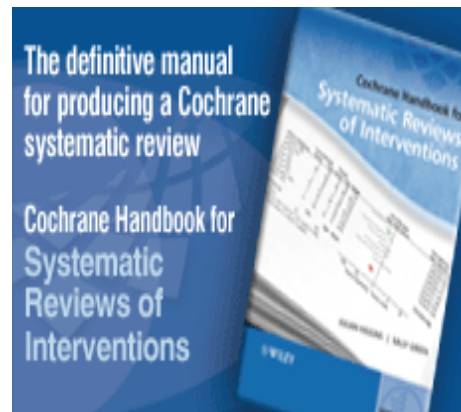
1. To identify strategies to assist Cochrane Review Groups (CRGs) to implement the advice in the Handbook, principally through consultation between the Working Group and CRGs;
2. To monitor methodological quality and set priorities for improving it, principally through consultation between the Working Group and Methods Groups; and
3. To serve as a forum for discussing implementation of future methodological developments and the impact on CRGs.

The immediate priority will be assisting Review Groups to implement advice in the Handbook.

Cochrane Handbook now in print

The Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions is now available in print format. Published by John Wiley for The Cochrane Collaboration. Editors: Julian P. T. Higgins MRC Biostatistics Unit, Cambridge, UK Sally Green Australasian Cochrane Centre, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia.

There is a 25% discount for Cochrane Review authors. Information and online ordering are available at: <http://eu.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-0470699515.html>; you will be prompted to enter your discount code when ordering online.



Listen to Cochrane podcasts



Cochrane podcasts, hosted on www.cochrane.org/podcasts, are freely available and provide a two-to-four minute audio summary of selected reviews. They are published simultaneously with each issue of *The Cochrane Library* and are widely accessed with approximately 45 new subscribers each day. There are now over 50 podcasts available. If you are interested in submitting a podcast of your review, please contact Laura Sampson lsampson@wiley.com to find out more about the processes.

NEWS FLASH! - Full access to The Cochrane Library in Canada

The Canadian Cochrane Network and Centre, in partnership with the Canadian Health Libraries Association, has successfully secured a pilot for a national license to The Cochrane Library in Canada. Until the end of 2009, all Canadians with Internet access will be able to download full reviews from the Library. Sustainable funding will be sought to make the access permanent for all Canadians. Visit http://www.ccn.cochrane.org/Files/Website%20documents/Other/Press%20release_EN%20_3_.pdf to read more. Contact j.douce2@uottawa.ca for further details.

From the Cochrane Collaboration Secretariat...

The Cochrane Collaboration's Strategic Review's Recommendations Report (<http://ccreview.wikispaces.com/Final+Report+and+Background+Documents>) identified 26 recommendations intended to strengthen the Collaboration in the short, medium and long term, ensuring its ongoing success.

At the mid-year meeting of the Steering Group, Centre and Branch Directors, and Coordinating Editors, in Vedbæk, Denmark, participants of the strategic session on Friday 24th April developed strategies to ensure the Review's recommendations are meaningfully implemented across the Collaboration as a whole. In the first part of the session they were asked to pick the four (4) recommendations they felt were most important to develop and implement first, and therefore, to be explored in detail in the session.

In addition, an online survey was conducted whereby participants were asked to pick the four (4) recommendations they felt were most important for the Collaboration to implement in the first instance. These are recommendations they felt were most likely to drive change - or reinforce existing practice - and create a framework within which the other recommendations can be developed, implemented, or even disregarded if that is appropriate.

The results of the survey will be published online on the Strategic Review's website (<http://ccreview.wikispaces.com/>). In keeping with the Review's philosophy of inclusiveness, we are in the process of developing a communication strategy for the proceedings of the session and will keep you posted!

For Cochrane Authors

Complimentary subscriptions to The Cochrane Library

Contact authors currently receive ten complimentary issues of The Cochrane Library, in CD-ROM format, commencing with the issue in which their review is first published or updated. The current arrangement does not allow authors to choose not to receive their CD-ROM. When implemented, authors will be able to choose between the CD-ROM, an online subscription, to gift their subscription, or to choose 'nothing'. The default will be set to 'nothing' and authors will be encouraged to make one of the other choices if they wish. Before this is implemented, letters will be sent to all authors.

Upcoming Events - 2009 Conferences

Campbell Colloquium

<http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/Colloquium/Colloquium.shtml>

The Ninth Annual Colloquium of the Campbell Collaboration organised in association with The Lancet will be held at:

Place: Holmenkollen Park Hotel Rica, Oslo, Norway

Date: Monday, 18 May to Wednesday, 20 May, 2009

Travel stipends for participants from LMICs

The Campbell Collaboration is providing a limited number of travel stipends to qualified individuals from Lower and Middle Income Countries (LMIC) in order to attend the The Ninth Annual Campbell Colloquium. To find out more about criteria and how to apply, go to:

http://www.campbellcollaboration.org/Colloquium/colloquium_registration/Stipends.php?utm_source=Bulletin5&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Bulletin5

17th Cochrane Singapore Colloquium

The website for the Singapore Colloquium (11-14 October 2009) is now online at: <http://www.colloquium09.com>

You are kindly invited to browse the site, submit abstracts and workshop proposals and apply for Consumer and Developing Country Stipends. You'll also find information on the scientific and social programme as well as lots of practical advice and links to visitor information sites.

The first important deadline is 15 April 2009 for the submission of abstracts and workshop proposals.

The Singapore Branch of the Australasian Cochrane Centre will host the 2009 Cochrane Colloquium from 11-14 October in Singapore. Annual Cochrane Colloquia are held to promote and develop the work of the Collaboration, and to help shape its future direction.

Consumer and Developing Countries Stipends

The Consumer and Developing Country Stipends for the Singapore Colloquium have recently been announced (www.colloquium09.com). As part of the application process for Consumer Stipends, applicants are required to request a letter of recommendation from the entity they are most closely involved with. Letters requested by applicants should be sent directly to the Stipends Secretariat via email by Monday 01 June 2009.

Please note that in a change to previous years, applicants for Developing Country Stipends are not required to request letters of support from Cochrane entities. Instead, for applicants that score highly, the Stipends Secretariat will contact the nominated Cochrane entity on short notice (Mid- to end of June) for endorsement of their application.

Global Forum for Health Research

http://www.globalforumhealth.org/Site/004_Annual%20meeting/000_Forum%202009.php

The Global Forum for Health Research is delighted to announce that its 2009 Forum meeting will take place in Havana at the invitation of the Ministry of Health of Cuba, from 16-20 November 2009.

Cuba offers an exceptional setting for Forum 2009 as an attractive and vibrant location and as the focal point for national and regional examples of innovation for health and health equity. The 2009 theme: *Innovating for the health of all*

12th World Congress on Public Health

<http://www.worldpublichealth2009.org/>

The **12th World Congress on Public Health** is to be held **April 27 - May 01, 2009** in **Istanbul, Turkey**. Organized by the World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA) (www.wfpha.org) and hosted by the Turkish Public Health Association (TPHA) (www.t-hasak.org), the Congress will address the enormous challenges and opportunities for public health organizations worldwide and be an opportunity for getting together with the various professionals and disciplines related to Public Health, at a national and international level and share the latest ideas and experiences in public health education, research and practice in the wonderful environment of Istanbul, Turkey.

International Society for Equity in Health

Host: Greek School of Public Health

Location: Crete, Greece

Date: 9-11 June, 2009

The 5th International Conference of the International Society for Equity in Health will be hosted by the Greek School of Public Health in Crete. The meeting will bring together, researchers, policy-makers, practitioners and others concerned with equity in health to develop and international health agenda for governments, universities and organizations all over the world.

Website: www.iseqh-conference2009.com

Health Equity: Our Global Responsibility 16th Annual Canadian Conference on International Health

Host: Greek School of Public Health

Location: Ottawa, Canada

Date: Sunday, October 25 to Wednesday, October 28, 2009

The 2009 Canadian Conference on International Health (CCIH) will examine inequities of health status, and the impact on the health of marginalized, vulnerable and Indigenous populations of changing environments, whether these changes are due to climate, technology, the economy or threats to human security.

Website: <http://www.csih.org/en/ccih/overview.asp>

Training & Support - Local (Australia)

In this section we will present information on events that may be of use to authors of public health reviews, within Australia

Cochrane training workshops in Brisbane

Event: Cochrane training workshops

Host: Australasian Cochrane Centre

Brisbane - 25-26 May 2009

Sydney - 25-26 June 2009

Perth - 20-21 July 2009

Workshop #1: Developing a protocol for a systematic review *and* Introduction to analysis (2 days)

Target audience: New systematic review authors (preference given to Cochrane authors with a registered title)

Authors may register for a single day if preferred.

Workshop #2: Review Completion and Update Program

Brisbane - 27-29 May 2009

Perth - 22-24 July 2009

Target audience: Cochrane authors with a published protocol, or working on an update of a published review. This program provides dedicated time to work on your review, tailored training and one-on-one support.

Authors may register for a single day if preferred

Website: http://www.cochrane.org.au/training/timetable_2009.php

Training & Support - International

In this section we will present information on events that may be of use to authors of public health reviews which are outside of Australia. Readers are also encouraged to visit their Cochrane Centre's website (www.cochrane.org/contact/entities.htm#CENTRES) for other local training opportunities.

Peer Review Skills Training

Host: UK Cochrane Centre

Location: Oxford, UK

Date: 29 April, 2009

Details: A one-day course for individuals who want to learn about peer review and are interested in systematic reviews.

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Website: <http://www.cochrane.org/news/workshops.htm>

Evidence Synthesis of Qualitative Research in Europe (ESQUIRE) course

Date: 15th to 17th September 2009 in Sheffield.

http://www.shef.ac.uk/scharr/shortcourseunit/courses_new/esquiresept09.html

This course is designed to provide participants with a state-of-the art perspective on the methodology of qualitative systematic reviews (qualitative evidence syntheses). It will focus on methods that feature in the forthcoming guidance of the Cochrane Qualitative Research Methods Group but will also incorporate a broader perspective on available methods of qualitative synthesis.

Funding Opportunities

Cochrane Opportunities Fund

The Opportunities Fund will be opened for a third round in 2009. Guideline and deadline to follow. The Fund will favour proposals that address the Collaboration's Strategic Plan (<http://www.cochrane.org/admin/stratplan.htm>). Contact Lucie Jones (ljones@cochrane.org); Tel: +44 (0)1865 310138)

The Cochrane Discretionary Fund

Applications to the Discretionary Fund are invited year-round.

Maximum of GBP 3,000 per project and GBP 15,000 per financial year. Criteria for the fund are at: http://www.cochrane.org/admin/cc_funding_initiatives.htm#oppfund

Send brief applications to: jhetherington@cochrane.org

Aubrey Sheiham Public Health and Primary Care Scholarship 2009

Awarded annually by The Cochrane Collaboration and open to health workers, consumers and researchers *living in developing countries*. The aim of the Scholarship is to enable the development of skills in preparing systematic reviews of healthcare interventions within The Cochrane Collaboration. The review topic should be related to public health or primary health care. The Scholar is based at the UK Cochrane Centre in Oxford for three months, and resides in free accommodation and is expected to prepare a Cochrane Review during this time and, upon returning home, to maintain the review and undertake to train other prospective review authors in Cochrane methods.

Call for applications are normally early September. Refer to www.cochrane.org/docs/Fellowshipsandscholarships.htm

PHRG Website

A reminder to please continue to visit our website as we are constantly posting new reviews and protocols of health promotion and public health topics (published by the PHRG as well as other Cochrane Review Groups) with each quarterly release of *The Cochrane Library*:



<http://www.ph.cochrane.org/en/newPage2.html>

New Reviews and Protocols relevant to the health promotion and public health from The Cochrane Library, Issue 1 2009

The following summary outlines protocols and reviews of relevance to health promotion and public health recently published in the Cochrane Library. While these reviews are not necessarily within the topic scope of the Cochrane Public Health Group (which focuses on interventions addressing the broader determinants of health), many are likely to be of interest to readers of this newsletter. Full copies of reviews and protocols can be downloaded via the hyperlinks below or by visiting <http://www.thecochranelibrary.org>.

Reviews

- The effect of social franchising on access to and quality of health services in low- and middle-income countries
- Interventions for increasing the proportion of health professionals practising in rural and other underserved areas
- School-based physical activity programs for promoting physical activity and fitness in children and adolescents aged 6-18
- Street lighting for preventing road traffic injuries
- Theory-based interventions for contraception
- Vision screening of older drivers for preventing road traffic injuries and fatalities

Protocols

- The effect of community health educational interventions on newborn survival in developing countries
 - Interventions for controlling emigration of health professionals from low and middle-income countries
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Recent Publications

Journal Articles

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PHRG Membership

The PHRG currently has a contact database of over 400 individuals who have expressed an interest in contributing in some way to the PHRG. Membership is free and those on the database will receive the bi-annual PHRG electronic newsletter. The database is also used to link individuals to opportunities to participate in other Cochrane activities (such as peer reviewing a Cochrane protocol around their area of interest or expertise)

If you have not already filled out our membership form and would like to be on the PHRG contact database, or if you have changed email address since the last newsletter, please email: cochrane@vichealth.vic.gov.au

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