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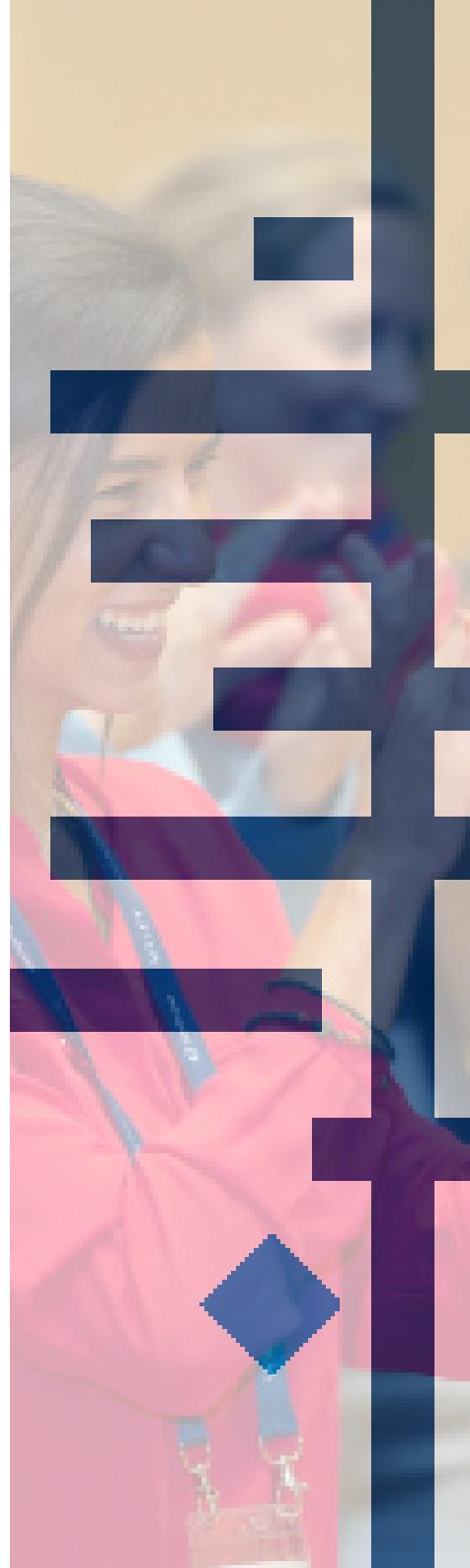
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What we do

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Who is Cochrane for?

Cochrane Systematic Reviews are used by everyone - from consumers, to health professionals, to policy makers, because they sum up the research evidence on a specific question about the effectiveness of a healthcare treatment or test.

About the Consumer Network

The Cochrane Consumer Network is a growing body of patients, carers, and members of the public, based in 79 countries, who are an important part of the work of Cochrane's Review Groups and Centres. Cochrane Consumers contribute in many ways, but particularly ensure that Cochrane produces important and relevant research that addresses the concerns of patients and carers, is presented in an understandable way, and is made accessible to people in need of unbiased and high quality evidence.

The benefits of free membership of the Cochrane Consumer Network

- Be part of a growing community of people across the globe helping to produce high quality, unbiased health information
- Receive regular communication about the work of the Cochrane and ways that you can be involved
- Be eligible to attend Cochrane conferences and meetings and meet like-minded people, and apply for funding to help you to attend
- Learn new skills and share your important knowledge and experiences with others

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