

Consumer engagement in rapid reviews and guidelines – Steering Group Members



Sally Crowe

I'm a Director at Crowe Associates Ltd, which provides consultancy, facilitation, training and project management for patient and public involvement in healthcare services and research. My interests include health research priorities, health outcomes and using standards to improve the quality of public involvement in research. I'm a member of the British Medical Journal's Patient Panel, the Editorial Board of Research Involvement and Engagement Journal, a Cochrane Consumer and a founding member of the Cochrane Prioritization Methods Group. I am passionate about extending the debate about healthcare research to a wide public audience to inform research relevance, design and reporting. I live with cancer and am a carer for my mum, who has advanced Parkinson's disease.



Richard Morley

Richard works for Cochrane as the Consumer Engagement Officer. He supports the engagement and involvement of healthcare consumers (patients, carers, and the public) in research including a growing network of 1650 volunteers across the world; Cochrane Review authors and Groups, and a range of partnerships that support this process, including the new International Network for Patient and Public Involvement in Research, of which he was a founder member. Richard has extensive experience of public engagement and partnership working in the voluntary, public and higher education sectors. He has worked with the James Lind Alliance, supporting research priority setting in the UK and Canada. He worked for the JLA Pressure Ulcer Partnership, and on the poetry and illness project "Order, Chaos and Chronic Illness" exploring the way we think and write about chronic ill health. He is a Visiting Fellow to the University of York's Department of Health Sciences.



Annie Synnott

Annie Synnott is a PhD student in the Centre for Health Communication and Participation at La Trobe University, Melbourne. Her PhD is focussed on stakeholder (particularly consumer) engagement in evidence synthesis. Annie also works as a Research Fellow at Cochrane Australia where she has worked on living systematic reviews, and is now leading research on consumer engagement in living evidence.

Of relevance to this work, Annie is currently conducting online focus groups with consumers about what consumer engagement should look in living evidence, and she's involved in COS-COVID-19, the development of a core outcome set for COVID research. Additionally, Annie has several colleagues undertaking living guidelines and rapid reviews in COVID who would like to be able to include consumers using our approach.



Maureen Smith

Maureen Smith, M.Ed., has a long history of collaboration with the healthcare system subsequent to a rare disease diagnosis in childhood. She is the chair of Cochrane's Consumer Executive and is involved in several Cochrane projects, including the Multi-Stakeholder in Guidelines (MuSE) working group. She is an enthusiastic patient partner in a number of research studies as well as a systematic review of coaching for shared decision making with integrated knowledge translation. Maureen has participated in two BMJ RapidRec reviews. She is a member of COMET Initiative's People and Patient Participation, Involvement and Engagement (PoPPIE) working group. She is the vice-chair of the Strategy for Patient Oriented Research (SPOR) Ontario SPOR Support Unit. Maureen has been involved in health technology assessment for both drugs and devices as a patient member on two provincial bodies since 2014. For the past 12 years, Maureen has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Organization for Rare Disorders (CORD) and is involved with Rare Disease International and the International Rare Disease Research Consortium's Task Force on Clinical Research Networks.



Catherine Marshall

Catherine is the Co-Chair of the Cochrane Governing Board and is currently an Independent Guideline Adviser and Health Sector consultant based in NZ. Between 2001-2006 Catherine was the inaugural Chief Executive of the New Zealand Guidelines Group, a not for profit organisation set up to develop guidelines and promote evidence-based practice in NZ. Catherine has been actively involved in the development of the Guidelines International Network and establishing the G-I-N Public group which was established to encourage and promote consumer participation in the development of evidence based guidelines. She has experience of developing and implementing guidelines as well as providing input into Cochrane consumer reviews. In New Zealand, Catherine is also a representative for the Wellington Free Ambulance Consumer Advisory Group.



Neal Haddaway

Neal is a Senior Research Fellow at the Stockholm Environment Institute in Sweden researching evidence synthesis methodology and conducting systematic reviews and maps in the field of environmental management and development. His main research interests focus on improving the transparency, efficiency and reliability of evidence synthesis as a methodology and supporting evidence synthesis in resource constrained contexts. I am the co-founder of the Evidence Synthesis Hackathon (www.eshackathon.org). I also co-produced ROSES (RepORting standards for Systematic Evidence Synthesis: www.roses-reporting.com) and PredicTER (Predicting Time requirements for Evidence Reviews: www.predicter.org). I recently led an initiative on Stakeholder Engagement in Evidence Syntheses, which involved a special series in the journal Environmental Evidence, a series of webinars run by the Global Evidence Synthesis Initiative, and an Open Access digital book (<http://stakeholdersandsynthesis.github.io/>). I'm involved (along with my dad, a retired NHS medical physicist!) in a rapid mapping

of COVID-19 research led by Ciara Keenan from Cambell: http://meta-evidence.co.uk/the-role-of-evidence-synthesis-in-covid19/?shareadraft=baba1002_5e7b8af59460f



Alex Pollock

I have expertise relating to the evaluation and the synthesis of evidence relating to the effectiveness of complex interventions. I am an associate editor of the Cochrane Stroke Group, and have authored 11 Cochrane reviews and 2 Cochrane overviews. I am interested in the use of GRADE in overviews, and co-lead an international GRADE in overviews group. I have an active interest in public involvement in research and have led and contributed to a number of research prioritisation projects. See Development of the ACTIVE framework to describe stakeholder involvement in systematic reviews <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F1355819619841647>



Lyubov Lytvyn

I am a PhD student at McMaster University. My interests are in systematic review and guideline development methods, particularly related to stakeholder engagement and collaboration. My thesis is on patient and caregiver partnership in the development of clinical practice guidelines, specifically looking at the MAGIC-BMJ Rapid Recommendations (guidelines with linked systematic reviews, infographics, and decision aids; <https://www.bmj.com/rapid-recommendations>). I am a member of the MAGIC Evidence Ecosystem Foundation, and have been the patient and caregiver partnership liaison for the RapidRecs initiative since their inception in 2016 (<http://magicproject.org/team/>). I am also part of the Multistakeholder Engagement (MuSE) GRADE Working Group, and am leading a systematic review on the impact of stakeholder engagement in guideline development.

