

## IRG eNewsletter

June 2012



### Events

IRG Pre-Conference Workshop: Transforming information services in a changing HTA environment.  
Euskalduna Conference Centre and Concert Hall, 24th June 2012

<http://www.htai2012.org/Registration.htm>

IRG Panel Session: Accessing unpublished evidence: can we rely on trials registries and regulatory agency submissions?

Euskalduna Conference Centre and Concert Hall, 26th June 2012

<http://www.htai2012.org/Registration.htm>

Introduction to meta-analysis: finding out how evidence from several studies on the same topic can be usefully combined.

Royal Statistical Society, 12 Errol Street, London EC1Y 8LX, 2nd July 2012

<http://www.rss.org.uk/site/cms/contentEventViewEvent.asp?chapter=9&e=1321>

"Teaching Evidence Assimilation for Collaborative Healthcare" (TEACH)

The New York Academy of Medicine, 1216 Fifth Avenue (at 103rd Street), NYC, August 7-10 2012

<http://www.nyam.org/fellows-members/ebhc/>

### Publications of Interest

Balk EM, Chung M, Hadar N, Patel K, Yu WW, Trikalinos TA, Chang L. Accuracy of data extraction of non-English language trials with Google Translate. *Methods* research report. (Prepared by the Tufts Evidence-based Practice Center under contract no. 290-2007-10055 I.) AHRQ publication no. 12-EHC056-EF. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. April 2012.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK95238/>

Lee E, Dobbins M, DeCorby K, McRae L, Tirilis D, Husson H. An optimal search filter for retrieving systematic reviews and meta-analyses. *BMC Medical Research Methodology* 2012, 12:51 doi:10.1186/1471-2288-12-51.

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2288/12/51/abstract>

Enabling health care decisionmaking through clinical decision support and knowledge management. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Rockville, MD. April 2012.

<http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/tp/knownmgttp.htm>

### Website of Interest

Cardiff Child Protection Systematic Reviews

<http://www.core-info.cardiff.ac.uk/>

From the website: Over the past ten years we have developed an internationally recognised methodology for systematically reviewing the world literature with regard to child abuse and neglect. Our focus, to date, has been on the recognition and investigation of suspected abuse / maltreatment, providing current and accessible literature, whilst also recommending a research agenda for those working within the field.

### **IRG Research Activities**

IRG members will be presenting working group updates at this year's AGM – 25th June 2012 12.30-14.00.

### **IRG Member Profile**

Liz Dennett is a Health Librarian/Information Specialist who splits her time between the Institute of Health Economics and the University of Alberta's John W. Scott Health Sciences Library. Her role at IHE is to carry out comprehensive literature searches to provide the evidence base for the Institute's projects as well as to provide other Library services. Liz is interested in improving searching methodology and is currently engaged in research on methods to teach expert searching skills.

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