

7th Cochrane Workshop - Athens, Greece

Date: 19th to 20th February 2021

Introduction to Cochrane Methodology Workshop - Athens, Greece

This is the seventh 2-day workshop organized in Athens, Greece. It is hosted by members (authors and editors) of the Cochrane Gynaecology and Fertility Group, and the Gynaecological, Neuro-oncology and Orphan Cancer Group.

This interactive course is addressed to clinicians, researchers, public health specialists and other healthcare professionals; the level of expertise required is intermediate and above. Its aim is to guide participants through the steps of developing a systematic review from the stage of protocol and thereafter, explicitly focusing on methodology.

It will offer web-based lectures and sessions (exercises on predefined items), providing plenty of opportunities to apply the methods and interact with the faculty.

The workshop will be led by a team who has extensive expertise in conducting systematic reviews and workshops.

Cochrane review authors who have a registered title, protocol, or review in the Cochrane Library are highly encouraged to attend (during the second day a 3-hour slot will be dedicated to them, as a practical session on their own reviews).

Objectives: The workshop will provide an introduction on practical and methodological issues in preparing a Cochrane systematic review on the effects of interventions. Topics will include:

- How to register a Cochrane title
- Research question and PICO / Structure and importance of the protocol / Determining scope and questions
- Inclusion criteria and grouping for synthesis
- Introduction to Cochrane tools (RevMan and Covidence)
- Searches (electronic / platforms / dealing with missing data)
- Risk of bias assessment
- Data extraction and management

- Collecting data
- Meta-analysis
- Network meta-analysis
- Assessment of heterogeneity
- Subgroup and sensitivity analyses
- GRADE / 'Summary of findings' table
- Interpreting results

Format: The workshop will use a combination of lectures, worked examples, and plenary discussion. Participants will also be provided with a short reading list in advance of the workshop. The workshop will be taught in English.

Participant fee: 100 euros. Reduced fees will be applied to Pregraduate (50 euros), Postgraduate and PhD students (70 euros). The workshop is free for authors of Cochrane reviews.

Venue: Online workshop through Webex platform, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece.

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Information at

<https://training.cochrane.org/introduction-cochrane-methodology-workshop-athens-greece-0>