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Interns: May Bianchim, Martina Giltenane, Aoife O'Mahony



Highlight: The wonder of methods group interns: Working together for mutual development and benefit



Research and development

- Awarded MRC-NIHR Better Methods, Better Research funding (PIs Prof Emma Fance and Prof Jane Noyes) ***PRISMA reporting guideline and standards for qualitative evidence synthesis (PRISMA QES)***
- Our Interns - Dr Martina Giltenane, Dr Aoife O'Mahony, Dr May Bianchim, led on work assessing the reporting quality of published qualitative evidence syntheses in the Cochrane Library leading to a [publication in Cochrane Evidence Synthesis and Methods](#)



Best practice and guidance

- Development of a new RevMan Qualitative template and guidance for reporting Qualitative Evidence Syntheses
- Supported through the Brocher Foundation to develop a workshop for their 2026 programme 'Strengthening the Trust in Qualitative Evidence Synthesis Through Better Reporting'.



Methods implementation

- [The Cochrane-Campbell Handbook for Qualitative Evidence Synthesis](#) is live on the Cochrane Website ahead of its hard-copy launch later in 2025.
- Continued collaborative working across Cochrane groups to support Qualitative Evidence Syntheses.