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From the Chair and Executive Director

Dear colleagues and stakeholders

We are pleased to present the annual report for the Joanna Briggs Institute for 2015. The past year has been characterised by improvements in our operational performance, driven by our continued focus on improving health outcomes through utilisation of the best available evidence.

Continuing an important piece of work started in 2014, this year we embarked on a formal strategic evaluation of

our business in order to ensure that we were making evidence informed decisions about the structure and operations of our organisation. This was a remarkably successful process and one that we hope will ensure our resilience as a business and allow us the flexibility to maintain our competitiveness in the marketplace and our ability to achieve our vision and mission.

We are pleased to report that we finished the year in a fiscally strong position, one that we hope to consolidate over the course of the coming years. We hope to achieve this through the launch of both new and redeveloped resources, such as the new and improved version of our premier software suite SUMARI, and new approaches to education and training, including a comprehensive suite of online offerings.

The JBI Advisory Committee and Institute Executive remain determined to improve our productivity and efficiency as well as equity across our international collaboration. Ultimately, our challenge is to create an organisation that will continue to outlast the individuals currently involved. In 2015 we took steps to empower We have exceptional people located all over the world who bring with them a high level of clinical, academic and leadership experience and expertise that we, as an organisation, should utilise. We want to maximise the opportunities for these individuals and groups to contribute in a meaningful and strategic way to the vision and mission of JBI around the world.

Additionally, we are strengthening our partnerships with other cognate groups internationally. This year we

> forged closer partnerships with the Cochrane Collaboration, the Global Evidence Synthesis Initiative. We hope that the complementary nature of the work being conducted by these groups will see us create further opportunities to influence evidence-based healthcare globally and to strengthen the Institute's profile internationally.

In 2016, as we celebrate our 20th anniversary, we will need to continue to be courageous. We have identified changes that we believe will make us stronger. We will launch into next year with the same drive and commitment to forge a powerful future for us all. We want JBI to continue to grow and to have its activities acknowledged on the international stage by our collaborators, partners, subscribers, competitors, governments and other influential bodies.

We would like to thank the team in Adelaide, our international collaborators and publishing partners for their contribution to the development of JBI in 2015 and we look forward to another successful year next year.



The Hon Rob Knowles AO Chair, JBI Advisory Committee



Associate Professor Zoe Jordan Executive Director, JBI





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JBI staff members join the audience attending one of the many presentations and Seminars held by the Institute throughout the year











Governance

Joanna Briggs Institute Advisory Committee

Chair: Hon Rob Knowles AO

Secretary: Kym Teh Minute Secretary: Kym Teh

Members: Prof Alastair Burt, Prof Margaret Harrison, Dr Ian Graham, Prof Gerd Antes, Prof Lisa Hopp, Prof Hu Yan, Kathy Mott, Andrew Holsman, Phillip Pledge, Assoc Prof Zoe Jordan

(ex-officio)

Meetings: Four times a year, including one face-to-face meeting Reporting to: Executive Dean of Faculty of Health Sciences

Joanna Briggs Foundation Advisory Committee

Patron: Sir Peter Cosgrove Chair: Philip Pledge

Minute Secretary: Sandy Davis

Members: Philip Pledge, Robert Underdown, Richard Aedy, Leigh McMahon, Alastair McDonald, Rowan Callick, Andrew Kay Meetings: Two times a year, including at least one face to face

and such additional meetings as may be required.

Reporting to: Executive Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences and

DVC (annually)

Joanna Briggs Collaboration Committee of Directors

Chair: Assoc Prof Zoe Jordan

Secretary: Kym Teh

Minute Secretary: Bianca Pilla

Members: Executive Director (Chair), Executive Committee

members, all JBC Centre Directors

Meetings: Three times a year - twice via teleconference plus one face-to-face meeting that alternates between Adelaide and the

location of the biennial colloquium Reporting to: JBI Advisory Committee

Joanna Briggs Institute Executive Committee

Chair: Assoc Prof Zoe Jordan Minute Secretary: Kym Teh

Members: Executive Director, Program Directors and Business

Manager

Meetings: Weekly

Reporting to: Executive Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences

Joanna Briggs Institute Staff Committee

Chair: Assoc Prof Zoe Jordan Minute Secretary: Kym Teh

Members: JBI staff, title holders and one elected HDR student

representative

Meetings: Every six weeks

Reporting to: JBI Executive Committee

Higher Degree Committee

Chair: Assoc Prof Craig Lockwood Minute Secretary: Alex Mignone

Members: Academic staff, clinical titleholders and affiliate titleholders of the Institute and who are actively supervising one or

more HDR candidates **Meetings:** Every two months

Reporting to: Faculty Course and Program Approval Committee

Research Committee

Chair: Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris Minute Secretary: Sarah Silver

Members: The Executive Director, Program Directors, two standing members elected from within the Implementation Science Unit, rotating memberships of project leaders and the Professional Medical Writer from the Synthesis Science Unit.

Meetings: Every eight weeks

Reporting to: Faculty of Health Sciences Research Committee

Teaching and Education Committee

Chair: Dr Zachary Munn

Minute Secretary: Anna-Lee Mason

Members: The Executive Director, Directors, School Manager and all Research Fellows involved in teaching short courses.

Meetings: Every two months

Reporting to: Faculty Learning and Teaching Committee

Scientific Committee

Chair: Dr Zachary Munn Minute Secretary: Pam Fletcher

Members: Executive Director; Directors, one member elected by each of the Synthesis Science Unit, Implementation Science Unit, and Transfer Science Unit; one Centre Director (or nominee) elected by the each of the European Region, Central Region, Asian Region, Americas Region; and the Australasian Region. Other members from the Centres may be co-opted by the Committee to serve on Methodology Working Groups.

Meetings: Quarterly

Reporting to: JBI Executive and JBC Committee of Directors

Higher Degrees

Master of Clinical Science and Doctor of Philosophy

Postgraduate Coordinator - Associate Professor Craig Lockwood, RN, BN, GradDipClinNurs, MCLINSc, PhD Program Administrator - Alex Mignone, BSocSc, DipLaw

Research Schools 2015

The JBI Higher Degrees by Research Program (JBI-HDRP) Research Schools are compulsory events held each semester for all academic staff and current students. The focus and objective of these events is to build a cohort of health professionals who can obtain their degree within a multidisciplinary context and achieve a depth of learning and experience that is more comprehensive than a singular focus on their own topic area and methods. During these events, there is opportunity for staff and existing students to review the progress of our new students and provide them with beneficial feedback. Throughout the intensive sessions, the new students' posters are on display to allow fellow academics to peruse their work and provide comment. Research School is also an opportunity for completing students to present their results and demonstrate to commencing students the sequence for completing candidature.

The JBI-HDRP considers the student's ability to communicate their work verbally as a critical element in the transfer of knowledge and best practice, so expects its students to present on several occasions throughout candidature. Research School provides an ideal forum for students to fulfil this expectation and receive beneficial feedback.

The JBI-HDRP has for several years now prepared a compact agenda for its Research Schools, with a strong focus on student participation, interactive workshops and highly regarded academic/professional guest speakers. It is an opportunity to cultivate a spirit of academic collegiality amongst its students, with a view to building an alumni of graduates.



Guest presenter Professor Michael Kidd AM speaking to staff and students at the August 2015 Research School

Guest presenters:

In addition to academic staff and HDR student led presentations, the 2015 Research Schools featured the following guest presenters:

- > Professor Michael Kidd AM, Executive Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences, Flinders University. Topic: 'The contribution of case reports to medical practice and translational research'.
- > Dr Ian Green, Researcher Education, Adelaide Graduate Centre, University of Adelaide. Topic: 'Researcher education and development - what do we do now with what we know about it?'
- > Professor Anna Chur Hansen, Head of School, School of Psychology, University of Adelaide. Topic: 'Culture and its measurement in research'.
- > Mr Nigel Wilson Law School, University of Adelaide. Topic: 'Evidence and proof in theory and practice'.
- > Professor Hu Yan, Director, the Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre. Topic: 'Centre objectives'.
- > Dr Margaret Castles, Senior Lecturer, Adelaide Law School. Topic: 'Legal ethics'.

HDR Graduate Research Seminar Series

The Graduate Research Seminar Series (GRSS) is specifically designed for HDR students. The sessions are intended to offer a regular forum for discussion on a range of healthcare and research related topics and themes. Students who are at different stages of their research degree find some sessions more relevant than others and may choose which they wish to attend. The seminars are open events and aim to bring together students, researchers and the wider academic community. The seminars are well attended by academic staff and HDR students.

GRSS presentations held during 2015

- > Heather Glaser (Master of Clinical Science student) presented on the topic, 'The effectiveness of laser treatments for onychomycosis in adults in the community: a systematic review'
- > Rochelle Kurmis (Master of Clinical Science student) presented on topic, 'Trace element supplementation following severe burn injury: systematic review and metaanalysis'









9th Annual Florey Postgraduate Research Conference

When: 24 September 2015

Where: National Wine Centre, Adelaide

The 9th Florey Postgraduate Research Conference was attended by postgraduate students, honours students, industry partners, researchers and academics from across the University of Adelaide.

Higher Degree Students of the JBI-HDRP were invited to submit a poster abstract for the conference. By presenting a poster, HDR students had the opportunity to receive feedback and discuss their work with other students and researchers from across the entire Faculty of Health Sciences.

The morning program comprised poster sessions where approximately 100 research postgraduates presented their research to be judged for sponsored prizes.

JBI-HDRP student completions in 2015

Hallett, Peter

Topic: Systematic review in cancer rehabilitation

Jacobson, Janelle

Topic: Best practices for care of aged patients and their carers

entering residential facilities

Kurmis, Rochelle

Topic: The effectiveness of nutritional interventions in the

management of burn injury

Scheepers, Morné

Topic: Recovery post orthopaedic surgical procedures

Breik, Omar

Topic: Evidence-based review of skeletal relapse in orthograthic

surgery

Pearce, Anna

Topic: Neuroprotective effects of magnesium sulphate

Riitano, Dagmara

Topic: Comparative effectiveness of psychological interventions

JBI-HDRP graduations in 2015

Master of Clinical Science

Kate Davis Kvlie Eddv Heather Glaser May Thwin Peter Stroud

Doctor of Philosophy

Drew Dwyer Zhili (Deb) Chen Deb Norton-Westwood David Larkin

Current JBI-HDRP students in 2015

Doctor of Philosophy

Tufanaru, Catalin

Topic: Theoretical foundations of meta-aggregation: insights from Husserlian Phenomenology and American Pragmatism

Colbeck, Marc

Topic: Translating Research into Paramedic Practise

Froessler, Bernd

Topic: Experimental study of anaemia

Feyissa, Garumma Tolu

Topic: Effect of nutritional supplementation on BMI among HIV

patients

McCabe, Delia

Topic: The effects of essential fatty acids (EFAs), magnesium-zinc and B vitamins on the levels of stress experienced by working women

Moola, Sandeep

Topic: Guidelines on management of dental anxiety in paediatric and adult patients: translating evidence into mobile decision support in dentistry

Richards, Stephen

Topic: Towards the development of a 'living environmental stress' theory to describe how the environment of a residential aged care facility may be toxic, resulting in an increased risk of premature morbidities and mortality in older people

Master of Clinical Science (Evidence Based Healthcare)

Becker. Bruce

Topic: The experiences of persons living with a disability (and their family carer) who receive individualised funding from government

Bellman, Susan

Topic: What is the effectiveness of pharmaco-therapeutic interventions for beta cell function preservation among adults with type 2 diabetes

Butenko, Samantha

Topic: The effectiveness of partnering between health professionals and consumers for hand hygiene compliance

Brack, Kerry

Topic: The experiences of specifically designed environment for dementia

Canuto, Karla

Topic: Obesity prevention and weight loss programs targeted at Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

Chu, David

Topic: The effectiveness of nickel-titanium versus stainless steel instrumentation for non-surgical endodontic therapy

Costi, Jennifer

Topic: Medical education and the role of advocacy

Cundy, William

Topic: Metal ion release from spinal instrumentation







Davy, Carol

Topic: Understanding closing the gap from the perspective of Aboriginal and Torrens Strait Islander people

Doorenbosch, Xenia

Topic: A systematic review of predisposing factors in recurrent raised intracranial pressure post cranial vault remodelling for nonsyndromic craniosynostosis

Elliott, Adrian

Topic: Exercise for the reduction of cardiovascular risk factors

Gaffey, Andrew

Topic: Environmental Influences in pain perception

Gagolkina, Ella

Topic: Capnography monitoring in patients receiving procedural sedation and analgesia

Gall, Dianne

Topic: Effectiveness and meaningfulness of art therapy as a tool for healthy ageing

Gieroba, Tom

Topic: Dynamic hip screw versus intramedullary nail fixation for pertrochanteric femur fractures

Harley, Simon

Topic: Predicting which men do not require operative intervention for the management of lower urinary tract symptoms

Hayes, Nicholas

Topic: Reverse total shoulder replacements in patients younger than 65 years: clinical outcomes

Heuch, Lisa

Topic: The effectiveness of methods of off-loading to prevent diabetic foot ulcers in adults with diabetes

Hocking, Judith

Topic: Effective assessment of pain in adults with intellectual disability

Hunt, Christine

Topic: Infection prevention in the aged care setting

Isam, Catherine

Topic: Effectiveness of patient involvement in treatment plans in enhancing adherence in therapy for the management of chrome illness

Jimmy, Rincy

Topic: Cancer treatment vaccines: to study genetic changes of cancerous cell that suppress anticancer immune response

Kao, Stephen

Topic: Assessment of dysphagia following treatment of oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma

King, Allana

Topic: Nursing leadership styles and ability to effectively influence change and teams

Ko Ko Aung, Edward

Topic: The association between suicidality and treatment with selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors in older people with major depression

Krishnan, Sabapathy (Giri)

Topic: Trans oral robotic surgery versus trans oral laser microsurgery for the treatment of oropharyngeal SCC

Leane, Terrence

Topic: A comparison of fentanyl and alfentanil analgesia when used with midazolam for procedural sedation: an assessment of clinical effectiveness and safety

Mathews, Megan

Topic: The effectiveness of coenzyme Q10 on survival of women with breast cancer

McReynolds, Trish

Topic: Clinical audit in aged care

Mercer, Carmel

Topic: The experiences of Aboriginal health workers and health professionals working collaboratively in the delivery of health care to Aboriginal Australians

Morkunas, Bernadette

Topic: PRN medication use in acute mental health care settings

Morshed, Ali

Topic: Effectiveness of tight glycaemic control for morbidity and mortality

Newell, Stephanie

Topic: Real time feedback collection tools in use in health care and their influence on the patient experience of care

Ooi, Yue Xian (Selena)

Topic: Pancreatic Exocrine Insufficiency in Pancreatic Cancer and the Impacts of Adequate Pancreatic Enzyme Replacement Therapy Affecting Nutritional Status and Quality of Life

Parbery, Gordon

Topic: Epidemiological association between chlorinated water and overall risk of cancer

Patthum, Arisara

Topic: End of life care in intensive care unit: an analysis of clinical effectiveness in nursing

Pensuk, Prapaphan

Topic: The effectiveness of the Liverpool Care Pathway in end of life care

Poh, Eng Whui

Topic: Adverse Effects of Dipeptidyl-Peptidase-4 Inhibitors in Adult Patients with Type-2 Diabetes

Reilly, Rachel

Topic: Pre-dialysis care for Indigenous peoples: experiences, gaps, barriers and facilitation of care

Robinson, Kai

Topic: First attempt success using intraosseous as an alternative to intravenous vascular access in out of hospital cardiac arrest

Saliba, Melissa

Topic: Parent responsiveness and children's language development

Secombe, Paul

Topic: Effect of Sepsis on profiles on lipid and apolipoprotein a critically ill population



Shekhar, Neema

Topic: The effectiveness of vitamin C for the prevention of premature rupture of membrane and preterm premature rupture of membrane in pregnant women

Taylor, Anita

Topic: The experience and effectiveness of nurse practitioners in orthopaedic settings

Tilley, Erica

Topic: The prevalence of a neurological atypical Parkinson's plus condition, progressive supranuclear palsy, and an appropriate clinical cave plan pathway to improve access to existing health services in South Australia

Tom, Meena

Topic: Benefit of early mobilisation of a ventilated patients in ICU

Townshend, Kishani

Topic: Impact of mindful parenting on children's school attendance and resilience: the development and pilot testing of a mindful parenting program

Tume, Cathy

Topic: Recognising and responding to clinical deterioration – best practice rescuing deteriorating patients in small non metropolitan hospitals

Tyndall, Jessica

Topic: Impact of findings from grey literature on the outcomes of systematic reviews on interventions to prevent obesity among children

Vivera, Manuel

Topic: The effectiveness of Ayurvedic nasal instillation medicines in the treatment of arthritis, rheumatic diseases and in trauma management

Walters, Stephen

Topic: An integrative medicine approach to injured worker rehabilitation in South Australia

Whiteford, Caroline

Topic: A systematic review of nurse-led ear clinics - external outpatient



A proud day for graduating JBI students and staff Left to right: Dr Matthew Stephenson, Kate Davis, Kylie Eddy, Assoc Prof Zoe Jordan, Drew Dwyer and Assoc Prof Craig Lockwood





Research funding awarded in 2015

June 2015 - August 2015

Providing Integrated Care: a review of the experiences of healthcare providers.

AUD\$30,000

Funding organisation: NSW Health

Dr Matthew Stephenson, Dr Jared Campbell, Dr Karolina Lisy, Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris

Ongoing research projects

Commenced July 2014

Systematic review on magnitude and scope of noncommunicable disease-related disability: implications for policy and practice'

US\$88,350

Funding organisation: World Health Organization (WHO)

Dr Karolina Lisy, Dr Jared Campbell, Dr Catalin Tufanaru, Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris, Mr Sandeep Moola, Dr Yifan Xue, Dr Kyawt Kyawt Swe, Mr Vincent Chu, Assoc Prof Craig Lockwood

Commenced October 2014

Systematic Review of People's Experiences of Participating in Microfinance Interventions in South Asia

GBP42.080

Funding organisation: United Kingdom Department For International Development (UK-DFID)/ EPPI-Centre, United Kingdom

Staff:

Dr Micah Peters, Mr Sandeep Moola, Dr Zachary Munn, Mr Vincent Chu, Assoc Prof Craig Lockwood External Collaborator: Prof RK Mishra

October 2013 - October 2018

Centre of Research Excellence in Aboriginal Chronic Disease Knowledge Translation and Exchange (CREATE)

AUD\$2,483,000 (over five years)

In collaboration with the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI), National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) and School of Public Health (SPH), University of Adelaide

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External Collaborators: Prof Alex Brown, Centre Director, CIA (SAHMRI); Prof Annette Braunack-Mayer, CIB (SPH); Prof Ngiare Brown, CIC (NACCHO/SAHMRI); Dr Carol Davy, Senior Research Fellow (SAHMRI); Dr Judith Streak Gomersall, Research Fellow (SPH); Dr Karla Canuto, Research Fellow (SAHMRI); Mr Stephen Harfield, Research Fellow (NACCHO); Dr Odette Gibson, Al (SAHMRI); Ms Elaine Kite, Al (SAHMRI); Ms Kim Morey, Al (SAHMRI); Mr Justin Canuto (SAHMRI); Mr Harold Stewart (SAHMRI); Ms Renee Williams, AI (APUNIPINA); Dr Drew Carter, AI (SPH)







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IBI's Research for the World Health Organization

Non-communicable diseaserelated disability: Implications for policy and practice

The impact of non-communicable diseases on human health and the social and economic development of nations presents a major challenge for governments and policy makers worldwide. People with one or more of the four major non-communicable diseases of cancer, cardiovascular diseases, chronic lung diseases and diabetes often experience functional limitations and restrictions in participation in fundamental life activities such as education and employment and typically experience a reduced quality of life.

The enormous social and economic burdens created by the four main noncommunicable diseases globally have encouraged research and action towards disease prevention and also reducing disease-related mortality however less has been invested towards improving the lives of people currently living with one or more of these diseases.

In order to underpin global government health initiatives aimed at improving the health, functioning and participation of people with non-communicable diseases, the Joanna Briggs Institute was contracted by the World Health Organization to conduct a comprehensive systematic review to describe the magnitude and scope of non-communicable diseaserelated disability worldwide.

This work sought to illuminate the prevalence of any physical, cognitive or psychological impairments or functional limitation experienced by people with cancer, cardiovascular disease and stroke, chronic lung disease and type 1 and type 2 diabetes. Additionally, the systematic review investigated the impact of diseaserelated disability on the quality of life of affected individuals, and identified their unmet health service and care needs through synthesis of both quantitative and qualitative data.

"This work is crucial for policy makers as it provides a comprehensive global picture of not only the types of disabilities experienced by people with these diseases, but also the scale of the problem in terms of the number of people affected and the impacts on their perceived quality of life" said the project's lead researcher and Research Fellow in Implementation Science at JBI, Dr Karolina Lisy. "Urgent action is needed to improve the health and lives of people with disease-related disability, and the findings from this review will help inform priority areas for policy and program development and guide future research."













Scientific development is an important priority for the Institute. For almost 20 years, the Joanna Briggs Institute has been a world leader in providing methodological guidance for the conduct of systematic reviews and evidence implementation. In addition, JBI has developed software for developing systematic reviews, the System for the Unified Management, Assessment and Review of Information (SUMARI). The SUMARI software is planned to be completely rebuilt for completion in 2016 to incorporate new advances in systematic review methodology. In the lead up to this redevelopment, JBI and its international collaboration have spent time updating, revising and developing new guidance for systematic reviews to inform the new version of SUMARI.

In 2015 the Institute invested significant resource in finalising guidance from our 11 methodology groups comprising experts from across JBI and the Joanna Briggs Collaboration to examine our methodologies in relation to the conduct of systematic reviews

of different evidence types. Each group either revised existing methodologies or developed new ones as required. Additionally they developed guidance for reviewers, which will be available in 2016 and incorporated into the JBI 2016 Reviewers Manual and the redeveloped SUMARI software.

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Global short course program

Highlights

This year has been incredibly successful for the JBI training team, both locally and internationally. Ove 100 participants were trained at JBI headquarters in Adelaide whilst we trained over 1000 people internationally, which is a truly remarkable result. We also increased our licensed trainers, not only for the Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program (CSRTP) but also the Evidence Based Clinical Fellowship Program (EBCFP).



Enrolments

Training delivered in/by the Institute in Adelaide (all courses)

Course	Enrolments
CSRTP	100
CSRTP Train-the-Trainer	28
EBCFP	33
EBCFP Train-the-Trainer	8
TOTAL	169

Training delivered in/by the JBI global training team by centre (CSRTP only)

Centre	Enrolments
Australia Adelaide CEPSA	9
Australia Brisbane	50
Australia CEBHA QLD	66
Australia Wollongong	5
Brazil Sao Paulo	87
Canada Ontario	45
Czech Republic	9
Denmark Nursing	43
England Nottingham	51
England Plymouth	16
Ethiopia Jimma	36
Ghana Kintampo	24
Japan Osaka 45	
Myanmar, Yangon 18	
Portugal Coimbra 7	
PR China Peking 14	
Scotland Aberdeen	12
Singapore	2
South Africa, Johannesburg	13
Switzerland, Lausanne	16
Taiwan Hualien 21	
Taiwan Taipei 35	
Thailand Chiang Mai 75	
USA Indiana 24	
USA New Jersey 96	
USA San Francisco	18
USA Texas	270
TOTAL	1107









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2015 JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and **Implementation Reports**

New titles registered on web page	125
Protocols uploaded to PROSPERO database	48
Protocols submitted	292 (200 for peer review, 92 archived)
Systematic reviews submitted	127 (84 for peer review, 43 archived)
Implementation reports submitted	29 (28 for peer review, 1 archived)
Protocols published	133
Systematic reviews published	45
Implementation reports published	13
Total	812

International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare

The International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare (IJEBH), the official journal of the Joanna Briggs Institute, has completed a successful second year of publishing with Wolters Kluwer. Highlights in 2015 include:

- > The IJEBH was accepted for indexing in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI).
- > Traffic to the journal online and on Ovid had a promising trend with the September 2015 (Methodologies) issue attracting an increase in visitors of 160% to the website.
- > 'Online First' was launched to ensure all articles are published online post author corrections.
- > Social media campaigns were launched. The journal has attracted 349 followers on Facebook and 130 followers on Twitter.

All articles for volume 13 were published to schedule. In 2015 there were 15,350 visits to the IJEBH website, and 13,309 of these were unique visitors.

This is an increase from 11,005 visits in the preceding year. Visitors from the United States, Australia and the United Kingdom continue to be the most frequent visitors to the journal website. The journal has an acceptance rate of 80%.

The approximate timeframe from submission to first decision is eight weeks. The average timeframe from submission to final decision is 13.5 weeks. This shows, on average, authors are taking five weeks to return their revisions to the Editorial Manager site. The table below shows the total number of papers published in 2015.

Papers published

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ff It was exhilarating to look around and see this incredibly diverse group of people coming together with such genuine enthusiasm for healthcare. 33

2015 JBI International Methodology Symposium

The 2015 JBI International Methodology Symposium was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Adelaide, on 3-4 September 2015. The event had followed a joint business meeting of the Joanna Briggs Collaboration Committee of Directors and the Joanna Briggs Institute Advisory Committee.

The two-day symposium focused on presenting and discussing the unique approaches developed by JBI and the Collaboration to evidence synthesis and evidence implementation. Aimed at the evidence-based healthcare enthusiast and the systematic review methodologist, the symposium delved into the varied approaches of conducting systematic reviews using a broad spectrum of methodologies, including but not limited to, effectiveness, diagnosis, mixed methods and qualitative review.

Nine plenary sessions addressing supporting methodologies for the synthesis of different types of research evidence to inform policy and practice, and eight concurrent presentations of pragmatic examples of JBI methodology and method in practice made up proceedings for the symposium.

These sessions were presented by JBI methodology groups established with the remit of investigating, reviewing and developing new methods of synthesis for JBI.



Below are the nine plenary sessions presented by presenters from the JBI methodology groups:

- > Effectiveness reviews -
 - **Dr Catalin Tufanaru**
- > Qualitative reviews -

Assoc Prof Craig Lockwood

- > Economic reviews -
 - **Dr Judith Gomersall**
- > Aetiology and risk reviews, prevalence or incidence reviews -

Sandeep Moola

> Diagnostic test accuracy reviews -

Dr Jared Campbell

> Narrative, opinion and text reviews -

Alexa McArthur

> Umbrella/overview reviews -

Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris

> Scoping reviews -

Dr Micah Peters

> Levels of evidence/grades of recommendation -

Dr Zachary Munn







Joanna Briggs Foundation



The Joanna Briggs Institute and the Joanna Briggs Foundation (JBF) focus on empowering individuals and communities through evidence-based health care.

Best practice health care research is delivered from JBI to health care professionals in many of the world's best-known hospitals, universities and research institutions. In Australia and other developed nations, we focus on national priority health areas such as cancer, heart disease, mental health and health. In the developing world, we focus on topics such as maternal and child health, infectious and tropical diseases and HIV.

From the early days of JBI, our paramount concern has been to build an internationally collaborative approach to medical and health research and to ensuring the integration of research with clinical practice. By building well-organised collaborations between researchers and health care practitioners, we have enabled the best evidence-based research knowledge to be transferred into practice in order to deliver better health outcomes.

Extending the reach to developing nations

Over the last two decades, JBI has undertaken considerable work in developing nations with vulnerable populations. The Institute does this by providing sponsored access to resources that correlate with local needs. However, the ability to provide and expand this service to those most vulnerable in developing nations is impacted by the availability of local clinicians trained in how to use these resources.

Mindful of this, JBF is working to raise funds that enable health professionals from developing nations to travel to Adelaide, South Australia, to undertake training with the JBI in their most critical areas of need.

Through JBF, the best practice work of JBI can be made available both to developing nations and to Indigenous communities in Australia. Our Evidence Based Clinical Fellowship Program for developing countries has already changed health practices and is saving thousands of lives through best practice, evidence-based health care.



Extending the reach to Indigenous communities in Australia

Within Australia, JBF also funds health improvement programs within Indigenous communities. In partnership with the South Australian Health Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI), the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), and the University of Adelaide's School of Public Health, JBI collaborates in the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Centre of Research Excellence in Aboriginal Chronic Disease Knowledge Translation and Exchange (CREATE).

The Foundation is supported by a Special Advisory Committee to assist the Fundraising Manager in raising much needed funds to support the work of JBI.

Foundation activities 2014/15

The Joanna Briggs Foundation is thrilled with the support from Australian companies and foundations for the JBI Evidence Based Clinical Fellowship Program. Through their support, the Foundation can extend the reach of the program to both developing countries and Indigenous communities in Australia.

Through the efforts of the Foundation, the exceptional work of the Joanna Briggs Institute has been widely promoted in the South Australian business community and Government.

Late in 2014 Senator David Fawcett attended a JBF cocktail function held in the stunning new Bendigo Bank building and was very impressed with the work of the JBI, so much so that he delivered a speech later in the Senate outlining the work of the Institute and Foundation.

In 2015, JBF raised in excess of \$200,000 for the JBI Evidence Based Clinical Fellowship Program, including several three-year commitments. From February 2016, the Foundation will fund two clinical fellows from Indigenous communities in South Australia to participate in the program.

The second clinical fellowship program to be funded by JBF will commence in July 2016 and will be attended by selected participants from developing countries. The Foundation has raised funds to support ten clinical fellows to this program.

The Foundation would like to thank the donors for their support throughout the year and look forward to working together in 2016 and beyond.

The Foundation Chairman, Philip Pledge, and Fundraising Manager, Sandy Davis, would like to thank the Foundation Advisory Committee for their support. Without their time and expertise, the great results reached this year would not have been possible.



Macquarie supports the Foundation in style

Macquarie Private Wealth hosted a Boardroom Dinner for the JBF on 29 October 2015 which was enjoyed by selected corporate guests of the Foundation. Macquarie provided a superb meal that was accompanied with a selection of 'top shelf' Wirra Wirra wines, once again generously donated by Chief Executive Officer and Foundation Advisory Committee member Andrew Kay.

The dinner provided an opportunity to discuss the work of the Joanna Briggs Institute and the Foundation with guests and Implementation Science Research Fellow Alexa McArthur spoke about the JBI Evidence Based Clinical Fellowship Program. Guests were very supportive and impressed with the work of the JBI and pledged their support. The night raised funds to support more than four clinical fellows from disadvantaged communities.

Both Philip Pledge, Chairman of the Foundation, and Sandy Davis, Foundation Manager, were delighted with the very generous support of their guests and Macquarie Private Wealth for their hospitality.

JBF Special Advisory Committee

- Mr Philip Pledge Chair Minute Secretary - Ms Sandy Davis

Members - Mr Rowan Callick - Mr Richard Aedy

- Mr Robert Underdown - Mr Alastair McDonald - Mr Leigh McMahon - Mr Andrew Kay

Twice yearly

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Fundraising Manager - Ms Sandy Davis







Meetings



Joanna Briggs Collaboration



The 53rd Joanna Briggs Collaboration Committee of Directors meeting, August 2015, Adelaide







The 53rd Joanna Briggs Collaboration Committee of Directors meeting drew 92 attendees from five continents to engage, generate ideas and plan for the future of global healthcare and the Collaboration.







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Americas



Introduction

Implementation Science and Synthesis Network of the Americas (ISSNA) is comprised of JBI Centres across North and South America. The purpose of this group is to generate knowledge and improve practice for the Americas through the science of evidence synthesis and implementation.

Americas – Centres

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Meetings, conferences, networks

- > March 2015 ISSNA JBI Train-the-Trainer event (CSRT)
- > September 30 to October 2, 2015: JBI of the Americas Meeting, IN, USA and Leadership and Innovation in Evidence Based Healthcare Conference.
- > February 11, 2016: JBI of the Americas Phone Conference.

Americas – collaborative work

Centres	Date	Activity/project
(Applicant) University of Victoria, Canada	2016	Lynne Young, Clare Koning, Debra Sheets, Pal Skar, Kara Schick-Makaroff, Christina Godfrey Effectiveness of physical activity interventions on the health of older women: a systematic review
(Applicant) Dalhousie University, Canada	2016	Marilyn Macdonald, Ruth Martin-Misener, Melissa Helwig, Lisa Janette Smith, Christina M. Godfrey, Janet Curran, Andrea Murphy The experiences of adults with cystic fibrosis in adhering to medication regimens: a qualitative systematic review
Covenant Health, Canada	2016	Under discussion: methodological collaboration with UCSF JBI Centre for Synthesis and Implementation "Economics of Advance Care Planning Project"
Chamberlain and UCSF	2016	O'Lynn C and Cooper C. The perceptions, experiences, and preferences of patients receiving clinicians' touch during intimate care and procedures: a qualitative systematic review protocol
Chamberlain and UCSF	2016	O'Lynn C and Cooper C. The experiences and perspectives of male nursing students: a qualitative systematic review
NEST and Americas Centres	2015- 2016	Holly C, Salmond S, and Saimbert M. (Eds.), Comprehensive Systematic Review for Advanced Practice Nursing, Second Edition, Springer
NEST and Americas Centres	2015- 2016	Jadotte Y (Ed.). Systematic Review Workbook.
NEST and Americas Centres	2015	PCORI Grant- Rutgers and Pace University Clinical predictive value of systematic review and meta-analysis as tool to study clinical effectiveness in patients with multiple chronic conditions; the case of statins for preventive therapy
Indiana Centre and Sao Paulo	2015	Luciana Cordeiro, Leslie Rittenmeyer, Cassia Baldini Soares. Action research methodology in the health care field: a scoping review protocol, Vol 13 (8). JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports
Indiana Centre and Sao Paulo	2015	Hosted visiting scholar from Brazilian Centre for five months of study

Americas – promoting JBI

- > JBI CSR workshops delivered by Queen's Joanna Briggs Institute, Kingston, Canada:
 - January 11 to 15, 2015 (19 graduates)
 - July 6 to 10, 2015 (25 graduates)
- > JBI CSR workshops delivered by the UCSF Centre for Synthesis and Implementation, San Francisco, CA, USA:
 - April 13 to 17, 2015 (4 graduates)
 - May 4 to 8, 2015 (2 graduates)
 - June 8 to 12, 2015 (2 graduates)
 - August 10 to 14, 2015 (4 graduates)
 - September 14 to 18, 2015 (4 graduates)
 - January 4 to 8, 2016 (8 graduates)
 - February 22 to 26, 2016 (2 graduates)
 - March 14 to 18, 2016 (3 graduates)
- > JBI CSRT workshop delivered by the Louisiana Centre, New Orleans, LA:
 - November 30 to December 4, 2015 (7 graduates)
- > JBI CSRT workshops delivered by the Brazilian Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare:
 - March 2 to 6, 2015 (10 graduates)
 - May 11 to 15, 2015 (31 graduates)
 - June 8 to 12, 2015 (22 graduates)
 - October 5 to 9, 2015 (17 graduates)
- > JBI CSRT workshops delivered by the TCU Centre, Fort Worth,
 - January 13 and 15, 2015 Module 2 (28 participants)
 - May 4 to 8, 2015 Module 1, 2, 3 (23 participants)
 - May 29, 2015 Module 1 (16 participants)
 - June 8 to 12, 2015 Modules 1, 2, 3 (11 participants)
 - August 21, 2015 Module 1 (58 participants)
 - October 19 to 23, 2015 Modules 1, 2, 3 (6 participants)
 - November 10 to 14, 2015 Modules 1, 2, 3 (14 participants)
 - December 18, 2015 Module 2 (14 participants)
- > JBI CSRT workshops delivered by the Indiana Centre for Evidence Based Nursing Practice
 - June 20 to 24, 2015 (23 graduates)
- > JBI Clinical Fellows program delivered by the UCSF Centre for Synthesis and Implementation, San Francisco, CA, USA
 - March 23 to 27, 2015 (end of cohort #1; 4 graduates)
- > Implementation and Synthesis Science of the Americas by the Indiana Centre for Evidence Based Nursing Practice
 - October 1, 2015 (12 members from QJBC, NEST, UCSF, TCU, ICEBNP attended)
- > Issna.org hosted by the Indiana Centre for Evidence Based Nursing Practice

Plans for the coming year

- > Queen's Joanna Briggs Institute, Kingston, Canada
 - JBI 'Conference of the Americas' October 3 to 7, 2016, Kingston, Canada hosted by Queen's University School of Nursing and the Queen's Joanna Briggs Collaboration for Patient Safety
 - QJBC JBI CSRT training October 3 to 7, 2016 Kingston
 - JBICANCOM emerging 'community of practice' for Canadian systematic review authors supported by QJBC (Teleconference meetings: January 14, May 25; face-toface October Conference)
 - Continued support of development and evaluation of CAN-IMPLEMENT software in preparation for release by WK later
- > UCSF JBI Centre for Synthesis and Implementation, San Francisco, CA, USA
 - UCSF JBI CSRT training April 25 to 29, 2016
 - UCSF JBI CSRT training May 23 to 27, 2016
 - UCSF JBI Clinical Fellows program June 13 to 17, 2016 and November 11 to 18, 2016
 - UCSF JBI CSRT training September 12 to 16, 2016
 - UCSF JBI CSR Train-the-Trainer training October 3 to 7,
- > The Louisiana Centre for Evidence Based Nursing at LSUHSC School of Nursing
 - Louisiana Centre CSRT scheduled for June 6 to 10, 2016
- > The Brazilian Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
 - Brazilian JBI CSRT training May 9 to 13, 2016, Sao Paulo, SP, Brazil
 - Brazilian JBI CSRT training Aug 1 to 5, 2016, Curitiba, PR,
 - Brazilian JBI CSRT training Sep 12 to 16, 2016, Sao Paulo, SP, Brazil.
- > The Indiana Centre for Evidence Based Nursing Practice
 - ICEBNP CSR Training June 20 to 24, 2016 and August 1 to 5, 2016.
- > The Northeast Institute for Evidence Synthesis and Translation
 - NEST CSR training July 25 to 29, 2016, Newark, NJ, USA.



Asia



Introduction

The JBI Asian Group comprises all JBI Asian Centres (Collaborating and Affiliate). Its purpose and aims are to strengthen the networking relationships between Asian centres, and to share experiences and strategies to integrate varied streams of evidence into culturally different health care settings.

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Asia – Centres (Cont.)

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Meetings, conferences, networks

- > 3-4 September 2015, 53rd Committee of Director's Meeting, Adelaide
 - A meeting was held with representatives of the Asian Centres to discuss the nomination of a Regional Chair. Following discussions, Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom was named as the Chair for the Asian Region.
 - Informal discussions were held among representatives of the Asian Centres in regard to future collaboration on research project and others activities. A teleconference will be scheduled to formalise a framework for future activities.
 - The Asian Centres' representatives discussed future collaborative and sustainable activities among Asian-Pacific (AP) JBI centres. The Annual AP-JBI conference/forum was considered as one of the possible activities. As initially proposed, The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea will not be hosting the inaugural AP-JBI annual conference in 2016, therefore, The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre (China) is in discussion to consider this opportunity. The Centre for Health Policy in India has also expressed an interest to host the conference in the future.







Asia – collaborative work

	The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice and The Thailand Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery
Date	Activity/project
26 March to 4 April, 2015	Japan (host centre) and Thailand jointly ran CSRTP training. The training was facilitated by Patraporn Tungpunkom (Thailand) and Rie Konno (Japan) and comprised Module I-II and Mixed Methods. Continued work on a funded research project on the Prevalence of Symptoms of Dementia in East-Asian Cross-Cultural (ePiSODIC). The study began in 2013 and spans a period of three years.

The Kobe Linguistic Translation Centre (KOBELT centre), Hyogo University of Health Sciences, School of Nursing, Centre for International Programs and The Thailand Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery	
Date	Activity/project
26-30 December, 2015	KOBELT centre (host centre) and Thailand jointly ran CSRTP training. The training was facilitated by Patraporn Tungpunkom (Thailand) and Rie Konno (Japan) and comprised Module I-III.

The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre and Peking University Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing	
Date	Activity/project
January 2015	The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre (Shanghai) and Peking University Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing (Beijing) jointly held face-to-face training for postgraduate students from mainland China.

Taiwanese Centre for Evidence Based Health Care and The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice (Osaka University, Japan)	
Date	Activity/project
Ongoing	Continuing collaborative project between the Taiwanese Centre for Evidence Based Health Care Collaborated and The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice: the funded research spans a three-year period and aims to explore the prevalence of symptoms of dementia in East-Asian, cross-cultural episodic specificity.

The Taiwan Joanna Briggs Institute Collaborating Centre	
Date	Activity/project
December 2015	In collaboration with The Centre for Evidence Based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) (Adelaide), the Taipei Veteran General Hospital conducted a mixed methods workshop.
December 2015	In collaboration with The Centre for Evidence Based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) (Adelaide), the Taipei Veteran General Hospital conducted a scoping methods workshop.
December 2015	In collaboration with The Centre for Evidence Based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) (Adelaide), the Taipei Taiwan Nurses Association conducted an Evidence Based Practice workshop in the Doctor of Nursing Program.
September 2015	Evidence Based Practice courses were held in conjunction with the Tianjin Nurses Association in China.







Asia – promoting JBI

The Thailand Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery	
Date	Activity/project
CSRTP 25 to 27 November, 2015	CSRTP was held by the Thailand centre for graduate students and staff of FON, Chiang Mai University, Thailand. The training was facilitated by Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom and core staff.
Evidence based program development: concept and implementation 14 August, 2015	Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom held lectures and conducted mentoring sessions for 20 nurses and the patient care team at Suan Prung Psychiatsirc Hospital. The training focused on developing the cognitive enhancement program for people with alcohol use disorder, which was based on the best evidence available.
CSRTP 25 to 29 May 2015	CSRTP was held by the Thailand centre for graduate students, staff of FON and health care professionals throughout Thailand. In conjunction with core staff, Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom facilitated the training, which was attended by 33 participants.
Evidence based practice: concept and application; 5 and 20 March; 20 May 2015	Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom was invited by Sritanya hospital to give a lecture and consult on the process of evidence based practice and evidence implementation for 20 psychiatric nurses at Sritanya psychiatric hospital.
Evidence based practice: concept and application 7 to 8 May, 2015	Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom was invited by the Chainat Borommaratchachonnanee collage of nursing to lecture on evidence based practice and guideline development on 7-8 May, 2015 for 30 nursing educators and nurses from networking hospitals.
Evidence based practice: concept and application; 11 May, 22 June 2015	Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom was invited by the Maharaj Nakorn Chiang Mai Hospital (a hospital affiliated to the centre as an EUG) to lecture on evidence based practice and its application on 11 May and 22 of June, 2015 for 30 nurses from several excellent centres.
	Assoc Prof Patraporn Tungpunkom was invited to participate in the JBC working group for the CSRTP redevelopment.
	Five protocols are being reviewed, one completed review is in the process of revision, and three protocols are being developed.

The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice (Osaka University, Japan)	
Date	Activity/project
CSRTP 18 to 20 July 2015	The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice hosted CSRTP. The training was facilitated by Rie Konno and comprised eight faculty members from Osaka University, Tokyo Medical Dental University, Ishikawa Prefectural College of Nursing and one doctoral student completed Module I and II.
CSRTP 9 to 11 August 2015	The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice hosted CSRTP training facilitated by Rie Konno. Six faculty members from Osaka University, Kyoto University and Ishikawa Prefectural College of Nursing participated in Module I and III.
	The Japan Centre for Evidence Based Practice published two protocols in JBISRIR and one protocol is being reviewed for JBISRIR.

Asia – promoting JBI (Cont.)

The Singapore National University Hospital Centre for Evidence Based Nursing	
Date	Activity/project
27 February 2015 to 28 February 2015, 26 June 2015 (on-site implementation under guidance by EBN mentors prior to workshop, continued until 26 June 2015, followed by sustainment audit six months later)	A workshop on evidence implementation was conducted as part of the graduate nurse residency program. The workshop comprised 20 participants with 11 evidence based practice implementation projects.
Four-hour sessions on 14 July, 11 August, 9 September, 13 October, 17 November	A workshop on evidence implementation was conducted as part of the Nurse Manager Transition Course and comprised 24 participants.
Monthly, except June to August 2015	A one-day JBI COnNECT+ course was run (x 9) and comprised 110 participants over the duration of the course.

The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre	
Date	Activity/project
April 2015	The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre conducted a workshop on evidence based practice.
June 2015	The Fudan Centre published a special Chinese publication on evidence based practice in the Chinese Journal of Nursing Education, 2015, 30(11). The title is a key national nursing journal and the article introduced the new JBI evidence grading system as well as a series of papers from JBI clinical fellowship evidence implementation projects.
July 2015	The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre conducted a workshop on evidence based practice.
July 2015	Fudan Centre updated its website (http://nursing.ebn.fudan.edu.cn/)
November 2015	In conjunction with the Zhongshan Hospital, The Fudan Evidence Based Nursing Centre conducted a workshop on evidence based practice.

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The Taiwanese Centre for Evidence Based Health Care	
Date	Activity/project
June 27, July 4 and 11, 2015	The Taiwanese Centre conducted CSRTP for nursing students and staff at Tzu Chi general hospital (Hualien, Taiwan) and comprised 21 participants.
January 30 to December 30, 2015	The Taiwanese Centre conducted Evidence Based Practice training and consulted on a project to train nurses with the Taiwan Adventist Hospital (Taipei).

The Taiwan Joanna Briggs Institute Collaborating Centre	
Date	Activity/project
January 2015	In collaboration with Taiwan EBN Association, the Taiwan Centre conducted a CSRTP.
August 2015	In collaboration with Taiwan EBN Association, the Taiwan Centre conducted a CSRTP.
September 2015	In collaboration with Cochrane Review and Taipei Veteran General Hospital, the Taiwan Centre published a SR on diagnostic methods.
December 2015	The Taiwan Centre conducted a CSRT course.
December 2015	In collaboration with the Taipei Veteran General Hospital, the Taiwan Centre conducted a mixed-methods workshop. Dr Rick Wiechula, from The Centre for Evidence-based Practice South Australia (CEPSA), was invited to deliver the workshop.
December 2015	In collaboration with the Tapei Veteran General Hospital, the Taiwan Centre conducted a scoping methods workshop. Dr Rick Wiechula from The Centre for Evidence-based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) was invited to deliver the workshop.
December 2015	In collaboration with Taiwan Nurses Association an Evidence Based Practice workshop in the Doctor of Nursing Program was conducted, and Dr Rick Wiechula from The Centre for Evidence-based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) was invited to deliver the workshop.
2014 to 2015	The Veteran General Hospital Nursing Journal (VGHNJ) has agreed to publish the Cochrane Corner in 2015 and 2016.
2015	The Journal of Midwifery has a Cochrane Corner published in each volume of the journal for 2015.
2015	The Journal of Health Science has a Cochrane Corner published in each volume of the journal for 2015.

Asia – promoting JBI (Cont.)

The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea	
Date	Activity/project
April 2015	The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea conducted an Evidence Based Practice workshop (module 1) with Severance Hospital and comprised 50 participants.
May 2015	An Evidence Based Practice workshop (module 2) was conducted with Severance Hospital and comprised 50 participants.
August 2015	An international Evidence Based Practice training was held for global nursing trainees.
June to September 2015	An Evidence Based Practice workshop was held for Bangladesh Faculty Trainees (module I).
December 2015	An evidence based practice workshop was held for Tanzania Faculty Trainees (module I).
April, 2015	An Evidence Based Practice workshop was held for Bangladesh Faculty Trainees (module 2).
May, 2015	The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea supported an Evidence Based Practice Education and Implementation Project (x3 per year) for clinical nurses at two branchs of Severance Hospitals.
December, 2015	The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea supported an Evidence Based Practice training at two branches of Severance Hospitals, with a total of 10 EBP studies.
January to December, 2015	Representatives of The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea presented a special lecture on Systematic Reviews at the International Conference on Community Health Nursing Research (ICCHNR).
August, 2015	Representatives of The Yonsei Evidence Based Nursing Centre of Korea presented a special lecture on Systematic Reviews at the Korean Society of Nursing Science (KSNS).

Peking University Centre for Evidence Based Nursing		
Date	Activity/project	
November 2015	Peking University conducted CSRTP training and comprised 14 participants.	
March to June 2015	Peking University conducted an EBN course for master students.	

Plans for the coming year

- > Asia-Pacific conference to be held in 2016.
- > Collaborative SR and EBP projects to be conducted across the region.
- > TJBCC is going to hold a SR train-the-trainer course from 30 August to 2 September, 2016.



Australasia



Introduction

The Australasian JBC Regional Group has been meeting since 2011 at each annual JBI Committee of Directors meeting, coordinated by Prof Bridie Kent, Prof Robin Watts and more recently Prof Ritin Fernandez. In each of the JBI committee of Directors (COD) annual meetings the Australasian Regional group focussed on matters relating to the methods, conduct and training of systematic reviews and implementation projects as well as development of new evidence based summaries. Several centres from the Australasian region have been collaborating on research concerning aged care - the JBI Healthy Ageing Collaboration (JBIHAC) group, initially set up by Prof Alison Kitson and coordinated by Dr Rick Wiechula.

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Meetings, conferences, networks

- > The Wound Healing and Management (WHAM) Node, WAGEIHP, is part of the Wound Management Innovation Collaborative Research Centre (CRC). http://www.woundcrc. com/ There are 22 organisations participating in this national CRC. The WHAM Node contributes to the CRC's third Research Program - Clinical Applications - which focuses on delivery of best practice wound care. Its specific contribution is assisting in the transfer of evidence-based care into practice by developing a number of evidence summaries on priority wound management topics. The CRC received further funding, and as such, further funding is available for the WHAM Node.
- > Funding was received from the Dementia Collaborative Research Centre (CRC) for staff of WAGEIHP to conduct a SR on 'the effectiveness of psychosocial interventions focused on helping family carers of people with dementia as they experience grief' in collaboration with staff from the Menzies Health Institute, Griffith University, Queensland, and the Dementia Collaborative Research Centre: Carers and Consumers at Queensland University of Technology.
- > The Wollongong Centre was invited to present about JBI at the 2nd International Clinical Nursing Research Congress in Istanbul in June 2015. A systematic review workshop will be conducted at the Koc University in 2016 with the aim of publishing systematic reviews in the JBI library.
- > Networking between the centres has been largely by email due to the inability to have face-to-face meetings or teleconferences.

Australasia – collaborative work

Centres	Date	Activity/project
NSW Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare and The Centre for Chronic Disease Management	2014	JBI Scoping Review Methodology
Adelaide: Centre for Evidence- Based Practice South Australia The Queensland Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery Australian Centre for Evidence Based Community Care	2014	Umbrella review, 'Nutritional interventions for optimising healthy body composition in older adults in the community: an umbrella review of systematic reviews of effectiveness and qualitative perceptions and experiences'. Review report currently undertaking final round of peer review.
Centre for Evidence Based Initiatives in Health Care and the Cameroon Centre for Evidence Based Health Care	2015	Systematic review: Experiences of people living with epilepsy Systematic review: Experiences of people living with Buruli ulcer Systematic Review: Antibiotic treatment for Buruli ulcer All three systematic review reports are currently in the final round of peer review
The Chronic Diseases Management Node	2014 to 2015	JBI Scoping Review Methodology JBI Umbrella Review Methodology JBI Scientific Committee JBI new centre application review committee







Australasia – promoting JBI

- > The Centre for Evidence Based Healthy Ageing (CEBHA) commenced operations at QUT (Brisbane) in May 2014 and is comprised of an alliance between the School of Nursing, School of Clinical Sciences and the Institute of Health and Biomedical Innovation (IHBI). Systematic review training has been the focus of activity with over 50 academic staff and higher degree students completing training in 2015.
- > The Centre for Evidence based Initiatives in Health Care and The NSW Centre for Evidence based Health Care are members of the newly formed NSW Health Nursing and Midwifery Research Committee. JBI is on the agenda for this committee
- > Centres have promoted JBI within their hospitals and universities through presenting at workshops, meetings and local conferences.
- > The Wound Healing and Management Node (WHAM) Node, Western Australian Group for Evidence Informed Healthcare Practice was promoted in the following publication: Carville K and Watts R. Wound management: summarised evidence. ANMJ, 23(3): 40-41, 2015.
- > A five-day JBI Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program was run in Perth through the Western Australian Group for Evidence Informed Healthcare Practice at Curtin University in February 2016. Nineteen participants completed the program. Participants included registered nurses, midwives, pharmacists, physiotherapists and an occupational therapist who were academics, clinicians and higher degree by research students. Trainers Drs Matt Stephenson and Jared Campbell came from JBI in Adelaide and the program was evaluated very favourably.
- > Prof Keryln Carville, Chair of the Expert Reference Group for the Wound Healing and Management Node (WHAM), WAGEIHP, received \$10,000 from Wounds Australia to write a literature review on evidence translation in wound care as part of a larger project.
- > The Centre for Evidence-Based Initiatives in Health Care presented 'Evidence-Based Practice: How far have we WALKED the TALK' at the World Congress on Nursing-Nursing 2015 in Dubai. The paper is accepted for publication in the International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare.
- > The Centre for Chronic Diseases Management held several workshops within the collaborating hospital and community health centre to promote JBI. Dr Hanan Khalil has published the work undertaken by the centre in Worldviews in Evidence Based Nursing in 2015.

- > The University of Newcastle Evidence Based Healthcare Informing Research (CEBHIR) published two Systematic Review Protocols:
 - P, Kable A & Levett-Jones T. (2015). The effectiveness of internet-based e-learning on clinician behavior and patient outcomes: A systematic review protocol. JBI Database of Systematic Reviews & Implementation Reports, 13(1), 52-64.
 - Spencer L, Rollo M. Hauck Y. MacDonald-Wicks L, Wood L, Hutchesson M, Giglia R, Smith R, Collins C (2015): A systematic review protocol. JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports, 13(1), 88-98.
- > There were also seven new members of CEBHIR who completed the JBI Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program in 2015. The participants were Khalaf Alotaibi, Kay Franks, Joanna Mohammadi, Scott Baird, Mieko Omura, Leanne Brown and Leonie De-Bellis

Plans for the coming year

- > Systematic review training will be offered in 2016 by The Centre for Evidence based Initiatives in Health Care. Systematic Review training has been the focus of activity from the commencement of CEBHA. Training is planned for March/April 2016.
- > An abstract has been accepted for the 5th Congress of World Union of Wound Healing Societies to be held in Florence, Italy from 25-29 September, 2016. The paper 'Wound care evidence for low resource communities' will be delivered by a presenter, who is affiliated with the Western Australian Group for Evidence Informed Healthcare Practice through the WHAM Node.
- > Systematic review training will be offered in 2016 by the Chronic Diseases Management node. Training is planned for March/April 2016.





Central



Introduction

The Central region consists of affiliate and collaborating centres on the African continent. These are Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya and South Africa (Johannesburg). There are also three evidence synthesis groups - Nigeria, Botswana and South Africa (Durban). All the groups are committed to generating evidence synthesis and to promoting evidence based practice.

One of the guiding principles of the centres' activities is to develop a strong regional presence within the JBI collaboration. Unfortunately distance and the cost of airfares within Africa prevent the centres and groups from meeting on a regular basis in face-toface meetings. A Google group has been formed to facilitate communication between the centres and is fairly successful, but tends to be used mainly for operational purposes rather than discussion. In 2015 attempts were made to have regular Skype meetings between the affiliate and collaborating centres, but these were not entirely successful for inter alia reasons such as connectivity.

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Meetings, conferences, networks

The region attempted to improve communication through Skype meetings and two were held. However, these were not overly successful as connectivity proved to be a problem for some.

Collaborative work

No regional collaborative work was undertaken in 2015. There was some discussion about having an African conference in Ethiopia in 2017. However this will require considerable funding and to date this has not been achieved.

Central – Promoting JBI

- > Mr Constantine from the Cameroon centre had a meeting with the Director of the Centre for the Development of Best Practices in Health (CDBPH), Professor Ongolo Zogo, in October, 2015. This centre is supported by Cochrane South Africa. Also present at the meeting was the deputy centre director of CCEBHC and one staff from the CDBPH. Challenges encountered by the two centres such as funding opportunities, training of reviewers, lack of motivation for reviewers and general reluctance of health professionals to participate in systematic review training workshops were discussed. Possible collaboration, such as writing a joint systematic review proposal for funding was explored, as well as primary research.
- > The University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg's centre, was identified as a local representative for the combined Cochrane/Campbell/JBI conference being planned for 2017.
- > JBI was promoted through comprehensive systematic review training workshops held in Uganda, Ethiopia and South Africa.

Plans for the coming year

- > Comprehensive systematic review training forms the core of plans for all the centres in 2016.
- > Plans for an African conference will be advanced through sourcing funding and writing grant proposals. The University of the Witwatersrand, the Johannesburg centre, will be working with the LOC of Cochrane South Africa in planning and organising an international conference to be held in Cape Town in 2017.





Europe



The JBI European Group comprises all JBI European Centres (Collaborating and Affiliate). Its purpose and aims are to strengthen the working relationships between European centres, enhance the production of evidence synthesis and improve our opportunities for applying for EU funding. The specific aims of the group are to:

- Develop a coherent and strong regional presence within the JBI Collaboration.
- Develop peer support and working partnerships among European Centres to support and extend JBI collaborative activity.
- Pool expertise and resources to pursue appropriate research, synthesis and translation activity including funded projects.
- Coordinate regional responses to issues raised by the JBI research centre.

The Group meets face-to-face twice yearly, once in Europe (Spring) and once at the Convention/Colloquium (Autumn) and via SKYPE/teleconference between face-to-face meetings. Virtual meetings are scheduled as required for specific projects with an expectation that there will be one SKYPE/teleconference between face-to-face meetings.

The spring meeting normally includes at least a half-day symposium. The date and host of the spring meeting will be decided at the preceding spring meeting. The host of the spring meeting and symposium will offer a meeting venue at no cost to JBI collaborating centres.

Coordination of the meetings is undertaken on a rotational basis. Two Centre Directors will be nominated at each face-to-face meeting to coordinate and chair the virtual and face-to-face meetings in the following year. Normally, the role of the Chair will be taken by the deputy Chair the following year.

The members of the group set the agenda for each meeting. The spring meeting normally provides the opportunity to share experiences, identify collaborative opportunities, undertake working group activity and engage with a range of stakeholders and academic colleagues. In addition, meetings provide the opportunity to discuss issues arising from JBI/ University of Adelaide and the Committee of Directors meetings/ teleconferences.

Europe – Centres

There are currently 15 centres representing nine countries in Europe. We welcome new centres joining the Joanna Briggs Collaboration to the Group and hope they join us in future collaborations and projects of European and global significance.

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Meetings, conferences, networks

Annual European meetings and conferences

The 4th European Group meeting was held in Nottingham. The Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare hosted the meeting, which commenced with a JBI Train the Trainer's course, followed by the directors meeting on the 13-14 May 2015. The second day was dedicated to a symposium on evidence translation. There was also an opportunity on the first day for PhD students from Europe to network and participate in joint workshops.

Collaborative work

Online platform for collaborative work

In order to make the European collaborative work easier, the Spanish Collaborating Centre coordinates the creation and maintenance of an online platform (Wiggio): JBI Europe Team. Wiggio is a completely free, online toolkit that makes it easy to work in groups.

The Czech Republic (Middle European) Centre for Evidence-Based Health Care created a Facebook account for the EU region. https://www.facebook.com/European-Joanna-Briggs-Collaboration-285046015030089/?fref=ts



Europe – promoting JBI

Centres	Date	Activity/project
The Centre for Innovations in Health and Social Care (Plymouth University)	2014-15	Plymouth held two CSR training programs and trained 26 participants in modules 1, 2 and 3.
BEST: Bureau d'Echange des Savoirs pour des praTiques exemplaires de soins	2015	Switzerland held a CSR training program and trained 16 participants in modules 1, 2 and 3.
Portugal Centre for Evidence Based Practice	2014-15	The PCEBP held two CSR training programs and trained 19 participants in modules 1, 2 and 3.
Danish Centre of Systematic Reviews in Nursing	2015	The Danish Centre held a CSR training program with 40 participants completing the training. One participant completed the Evidenced Based Clinical Fellowship Program.
The Scottish Centre for Evidence-Based Multi- professional Practice	2015	The Scottish Centre trained 11 participants in modules 1, 2 and 3.
The Wales Centre for Evidence Based Care	2015	The Wales Centre trained three (recently joined) staff in CSR training.
The Czech Republic (Middle European) Centre for Evidence- Based Health Care	September 2015	The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare held its first CSR training program and trained eight participants in modules 1, 2 and 3.









Meetings, conferences, networks

The Centre for Innovations in Health and Social Care (Plymouth University)

- > The JBI has been undertaking a strategic business review in 2015 and Prof Bridie Kent has been the European representative providing input to the Strategic Business Review.
- > Cochrane Collaboration: establishing a formal memorandum of understanding. Prof Bridie Kent was invited by JBI to participate in the executive group during their discussions with the Cochrane Collaboration in 2015.

Danish Centre of Systematic Reviews in Nursing

- > A one-day workshop on Systematic Reviews was held, with 65 teachers from University Colleges participating. Prof Joao Apostolo from the Portuguese Centre was a keynote speaker.
- > Published protocols for systematic reviews from Danish authors will shortly be published on homepage from the Centre for Clinical Guidelines - Clearinghouse.
- > The first clinical guideline based on a Danish Systematic Review published in JBI Database of Systematic Review and Implementation Reports was published. The Danish Ministry of Health has granted €79,000 to test the implementation and the effect of the clinical guideline.

Finnish Centre for Evidence Based Health Care

- > Nursing Research Foundation and the Finnish Centre has collaborated at a national level in Finland. The dissemination of evidence based practices in nursing project (2013-2015) was a successful example of this collaboration. During the project, information regarding the evidence based operational models was disseminated via follow-up seminars, education sessions, and articles written by participants of the project for both national and international journals.
- > A one-day national Evidence Based Health Care Symposium was held in February 2015.

The Wales Centre for Evidence Based Care

> Negotiations are under way to develop a collaborative partnership with both PRIME Centre Wales (Wales Centre for Primary and Emergency Care [including unscheduled] Care Research) and the Wales Community Nursing Research Strategy group. It is intended that as a result of these collaborations the WCEBC will lead on a number of PRIME funded reviews.

Belgian Interuniversity Collaboration for Evidence-Based Practice (BICEP)

> The Belgian Federal Government aims to establish a central database, accessible to every Belgian nurse and midwife, with EBP guidelines. This database will be connected to the recently developed database with translated EBP guidelines for GPs (EBNPracticenet.be). The deputy-chair of BICEP is actively involved in the conceptualisation of this database. The main idea is that the national developed evidence based nursing guidelines will be incorporated into the database (after extensive screening with GRADE). Secondly, an international CPG database will be selected to complete this body of knowledge. A comparative study has been conducted (including the JBI collection). The result has recently been submitted to the Federal Government (to be continued).

The Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare

- > Activities carry out by the Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare have been selected by WHO-Europe as case examples of innovative nursing and midwifery practices within the country context, and to provide good examples of nursing and midwifery contributions to the priority areas of Health 2020.
- > This European compendium was produced to provide operational examples of the new nursing and midwifery roles and new service delivery models currently being employed across the Region. The case studies directly relate to the priority areas in Health 2020 and exemplify the types of activities needed to fully implement the objectives within the Strategic Directions framework. http://www.euro.who.int/__ data/assets/pdf_file/0004/287356/NURSES-AND-MIDWIVES-A-Vital-Resource-for-Health-Compendium.pdf?ua=1
- > Sixteen Spanish regions (out of 17) are involved in the Spanish Centre for Evidence-Based Healthcare. The role of the regions is to define the strategic plan of the centre, and give funding and support with dissemination and scientific activities.

The Romanian Centre for Evidence Based Public Health

> Dr Silvia Florescu together with other members (Ciutan M, Sasu C, Firuleasa IL, Mihaescu-Pintia C, Vladescu C) of The Romanian Center For Evidence Based Public Health, Bucharest, Romania, presented the electronic poster 'Policy development in national regionalisation of public health services - a systematic review' at the 8th European Public Health Conference 'Health in Europe - from global to local policies, methods and practices' MiCo - Milano Congressi, Milan, 14 -17 October 2015.









JBI Methodology Groups

- > The BEST (Swiss Centre) started a participation in one methodological working group, mix-method group (Dr Jacqueline Wosinski).
- > The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence-Based Healthcare has participated in two methodological working groups, diagnostic test accuracy (Dr Miloslav Klugar) and text and opinion (Dr Jitka Klugarová).
- > The Romanian Centre for Evidence-Based Public Health, Bucharest, Romania participated in the Text and Opinion Methodology Group (Dr Silvia Florescu), led by Alexa McArthur resulting in the chapter below.
- > The systematic review of text and opinion-based evidence: an update (Alexa McArthur, Jitka Klugarova, Hu Yan, Silvia Florescu)
- > The Romanian Centre for Evidence-Based Public Health, Bucharest, Romania (Dr Silvia Florescu) co-authored the paper 'Innovations in the Systematic Review of Text and Opinion (McArthur, Alexa MPHC, MClinSc1; Klugárová, Jitka PhD2; Yan, Hu PhD3; Florescu, Silvia PhD4) International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare: September 2015 - Volume 13 issue 3 - p 188-195.

Cochrane Nursing Care Field

> The Spanish Centre is collaborating in the Nursing Care Language Group (Dr Esther González and Dr Gema Escobar). Dr Esther Gonzalez has been involved in including Spanish language in the systematic review 'Magnitude and Scope of Disability'.

Systematic review support

- > Prof Bridie Kent currently provides ongoing mentorship and support for those who have a systematic review underway.
- > PCEBP (Coimbra) organises regular meetings to provide mentorship to participants who have participated in the CSRTP. Furthermore, PCEBP supports anyone, mainly clinical practice professionals, seeking further information on synthesis science.
- > The Scottish Centre is providing ongoing support and mentorship to CSRTP participants to facilitate development of their protocols and reviews.
- > The Romanian Centre for Evidence Based Public Health, Bucharest, Romania, participated in the peer review process of some of the articles submitted to the JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports.
- > The Spanish Centre provides ongoing support and mentorship to CSRTP participants to facilitate the development of their protocols and reviews, and participates in the peer review process of some of the articles submitted to the JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports.

Europe – Collaborative work

Call: H2020:

Twinning

- > Coordinator: The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence-Based Healthcare
- > Partners: Nottingham Centre for Evidence-Based Healthcare, KU Leuven
- > Project name: Strengthening of knowledge in evidence synthesis in allied health professions at Faculty of Health Sciences, Palacký University in Olomouc - Step_FHS-UP

PHC-21-2015: Advancing active and healthy ageing with ICT

- > Coordinator: Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: Spain, Romania, Denmark, and another partners from different European countries outside of JBI collaboration
- > Project name: KRONO4HEALTH

Erasmus + **SPIDER**

- > Coordinator: The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: JBI, Portugal Centre, Spanish Centre, Scottish Centre, The Romanian Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing and Midwifery
- > Project name: 'SPIDER' Strategic Partnership in Innovation and Development of Evidence Based Healthcare

4NOFALLS

- > Coordinator: Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: Spain, Romania, and another partners from different European countries outside of JBI collaboration
- > Name of the project: 4NOFALLS

Tendr SANTE

- > Coordinator: University of Dundee and St Andrews
- > Partners: Czech Republic Centre, Spanish Centre, Portugal Centre and another nine partners from different European countries outside of JBI collaboration
- > Project name: 'EU THRIVE' Targeting Healthcare To Reduce Inequalities in Isolated and Vulnerable Populations in Europe

COST

- > Coordinator: Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: Spain, Belgium, Portugal, Switzerland, Romania, Czech Republic, United Kingdom, Denmark
- > Project name: Non-Pharmacological Interventions for Active and Healthy Ageing

Unfortunately, none of these projects received funding in the current round, however, some are currently being redeveloped in response to the feedback received and are planned for resubmission.









Plans for the coming year

TtT course

> The next TtT will be held in Madrid from 23 to 26 April, 2016. Participants from European JBC centers will include Nottingham (1), Spain (2), BEST (1), Coimbra (1), Cardiff (1) and Plymouth (1).

CSR training

- > CSR training is planned for March 2016 in Plymouth.
- > CSR training is planned for June 2016 in Madrid (Spain).
- > PCEBP is planning to hold CSRTP from 30 May to 3 June 2016 in Coimbra, Portugal.
- > Plans are underway to conduct CSR training in 2016 in Cardiff for Health Board partner organisations to increasing national presence and to forge relationships for future implementation projects.
- > CSR training program will be held by Czech Republic Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare:

8 to 12 February 2016

(course registration deadline: 8 January 2016)

5 to 9 September 2016

(course registration deadline: 5 August 2016).

- > BEST is planning to hold CSRTP from 3 to 7 October in Lausanne (Switzerland).
- > The Scottish Centre has plans to hold CSRTP in late 2016.
- > The Romanian Centre for Evidence Based Public Health, Bucharest, Romania plans to hold CSRTP in March 2016 for six participants.

Clinical Fellowship Program

> The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare is going to hold CFP:

Part 1: 27 June to 1 July 2016 to be held in Olomouc, Czech

Part 2: 9 January to 13 January 2017 to be held Olomouc, Czech Republic

> The Swiss and the Danish Centres are collaborating to organise a CFP in Switzerland in 2016-17. The Danish Centre will provide training courses for the BEST.

Planned projects for 2016

Erasmus +

- > Coordinator: The Czech Republic Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: JBI, Portugal Centre, Spanish Centre, Scottish Centre, The Romanian Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery
- > Project name: 'SPIDER' (Strategic Partnership in Innovation and Development of Evidence Based Healthcare)
- > Project status: under development

COST

- > Coordinator: Spanish Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare
- > Partners: Spain, x2 Romania, Czech Republic, Scotland and Denmark and another four partners from different European countries outside of JBI collaboration
- > Project name: Non-Pharmacological Interventions in Frail Older People (Frailty&NPI)
- > Project status: under development







JBI's global ESG and EIG network

Evidence Synthesis Groups

JBI Evidence Synthesis Groups conduct systematic seviews following the JBI approach making a practical contribution to practice and health outcomes.

- Nigeria Joanna Briggs Institute Evidence Synthesis Group,
- University of Botswana, Botswana
- Saint Elizabeth Health Care, Canada
- Dementia Collaborative Research Centre Consumers, Carers and Social Research, Australia (QLD)
- Royal Perth Hospital, Australia (Perth)
- Edinburgh Napier University, United Kingdom
- The South African Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery, South Africa
- The Centre for Reviews on Health Research and Movement Science, Philippines
- University of New Brunswick (UNB) Saint John JBI Evidence Synthesis Group, Canada
- Children's Medical Centre of Dallas, USA
- Medical University of South Carolina Centre for Evidence-Based Practice and Outcomes Research, USA
- Sidra Centre for Women's and Pediatric Evidence Based Health Care, Qatar
- BCNU Thailand, Thailand
- UMMC School of Nursing Evidence Based Practice and Research Team, USA
- Chamberlain College of Nursing Evidence Synthesis Group, USA

Evidence Implementation Groups

JBI Evidence Implementation Groups are clinicians, quality managers and other personnel who are part of a global network of people and organisations committed to evidenced based practice and clinical practice improvement.

- St John of God Murdoch, Australia (WA)
- National University Cancer Institute Singapore (NCIS) Nursing Evidence Implementation Group, Singapore
- Aged Care Quality Association, Australia (SA)
- Southern Tasmania Area Health Service, Australia (TAS)
- UCSF Medical Centre Department of Nursing, USA
- Zhongshan Hospital ICU, China
- SomerCare Rainbow Chimers, Australia (VIC)





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