

## **Cochrane Rehabilitation Field: Evidence to Rehabilitation and Rehabilitation Expertise to Cochrane**

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### **Abstract**

#### **Background**

Based on an initiative of the European Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ESPRM), the idea of a Cochrane Rehabilitation Field was supported by a number of organisations, including the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM). After approval by Cochrane Steering Group, Cochrane Rehabilitation has been launched on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016. The aim of Cochrane Rehabilitation is to bridge between Cochrane and Rehabilitation stakeholders, systematically identifying and spreading evidence, but also improving its quality and quantity production per clinical needs.

#### **Objectives**

The objective of this poster is to present the organisational structure of Cochrane Rehabilitation.

#### **Methods**

Cochrane Rehabilitation is a network of individuals, coming from all continents. Therefore, a clear and well-structured organisation is required to make Cochrane Rehabilitation function effectively.

#### **Results**

Up to now 262 people from 52 countries expressed their willingness to collaborate. The Figure summarises the proposed organisational solution. The Field Director will be directly responsible for the Knowledge Translation strategy and will be assisted by the Executive Committee. The Field Coordinator will ensure the implementation of a networking strategy, daily planning, organisation and coordination of activities between the Committees (Communication, Education, Methodology, Publication and Rehabilitation Reviews), Units and individual members. The Advisory Board includes key persons from different international stakeholders as well as recognised opinion leaders in rehabilitation.

### **Conclusions**

Cochrane Rehabilitation is working to drive, on one side, evidence and methods developed by Cochrane to the world of Rehabilitation and, on the other, to convey priorities, needs and specificities of Rehabilitation to Cochrane.