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NCDDR's NIDRR Grantee Workshop

Disability & Healthcare Research Results: How to Increase Their Reach

May 7, 2009 (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM)

Holiday Inn National Airport – Crystal City/Arlington, VA

Presenters

John Westbrook, PhD – SEDL / NCDDR

Roberta Scherer, PhD – US Cochrane Center

Roger Nelson, PhD – Cochrane Rehabilitation & Related Therapies Field

David Scalzitti, PhD – American Physical Therapy Association

Learning Outcomes

Participants will:

- 1) Learn how to increase exposure/use of their NIDRR-supported research findings through resources of The Cochrane Collaboration
- 2) Understand the evidence base and function of the Cochrane Collaboration, The Cochrane Library, PEDro database, and other research registries as tools to support research and the KT process
- 3) Identify Cochrane systematic reviews and other resources that can contribute to disability and rehabilitation research
- 4) Examine strategies for research design and knowledge translation activities to increase likelihood of NIDRR-sponsored research appearing in systematic reviews

AGENDA

- 9:00-9:15 am** **Welcome and Introductions**
Joann Starks, NCDDR and Pimjai Sudsawad, NIDRR
- 9:15-9:45 am** **The Importance of Evidence – John Westbrook**
What is the value of a connection between NIDRR and The Cochrane Collaboration and how NIDRR-funded research contributes to Cochrane reviews; current status of NIDRR-supported research within Cochrane reviews, as well as non-Cochrane/Campbell systematic reviews.
- 9:45-10:30 am** **Evidence-Based Healthcare & The Cochrane Collaboration**
Roberta Scherer
The purpose and origin of The Cochrane Collaboration and its review groups, centres, and fields; Cochrane systematic reviews and the 'gold standard' of RCTs; resources to support researchers; The Cochrane Library; communicating with Cochrane entities most appropriate for disability issues of interest to healthcare professionals; relationship with The Campbell Collaboration.

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10:30-11:15 am Group discussion (with Refreshments & Break)

Potential discussion questions:

- Past experiences with Cochrane/The Cochrane Library?
- What limits use of NIDRR-supported research results in Cochrane reviews?
- What is needed to increase NIDRR-supported research findings within Cochrane reviews?
- How is NIDRR currently supporting the creation of “evidence”?
- Does Cochrane represent the “medical model” that does not reflect the more holistic approach of disability/rehabilitation research?

11:15-12:00 pm Rehabilitation & Related Therapies Field (RRTF) – Roger Nelson Hooked on Evidence – David Scalzitti

The scope and mission of the RRTF; how and why to get involved with the RRTF; what is and how to use the PEDro database and how it is updated; how the RRTF works with APTA & other professional organizations; Hooked on Evidence discussion/demonstration.

12:00-12:45 pm Group discussion

Potential discussion questions:

- What partnerships can be developed to facilitate access and inclusion of disability and rehabilitation research, including that funded by NIDRR, within Cochrane/other systematic reviews?
- What are some ways to encourage NIDRR researchers to better utilize resources of the Cochrane Collaboration/The Cochrane Library in order to enhance ongoing and future research?
- What could NIDRR do to support and increase the entry of NIDRR-supported research into Cochrane reviews?
- When developing new research project plans and associated priority statements, how can NIDRR promote the use/conduct of systematic reviews?
- What specific steps can the NCDDR take to facilitate communication between Cochrane/RRTC and NIDRR grantees?

12:45-1:00 pm Wrap-up – Future Steps