ISWP Evidence-based Practice Working Group

March 16th, 2017 Meeting Recap

The ISWP Evidence-based Practice Working Group met by conference call on Thursday, March 16, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. U. S. Eastern Time. This provides a recap.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 6th at 9:00 am. U.S. Eastern Standard Time

**Link to Meeting Recording:** [https://iswp.adobeconnect.com/p4rz6ec72wy/](https://iswp.adobeconnect.com/p4rz6ec72wy/)

**Discussion** (action items in bold/underline)

The following are the updates from the various activities of the working group:

1. **Data Collection:**

   The Data Collection Subcommittee met on Thursday, March 16 before the Evidence-based Practice Working Group call.

   a. **Minimum data set:** Data Collection Subcommittee provided good feedback on another version of the questionnaire and Excel workbook to facilitate data collection and submission to ISWP (de-identified data only). Nancy Augustine is finalizing the data questionnaire and Excel workbooks. The questionnaire and the workbook will be piloted in Kenya (May 2017) and 1 or 2 additional organizations.

   b. **Country data collection:** Norah Keitany has started data collection work in Kenya; she informed us the data collection would take about 15 weeks, not 6 as she thought initially as she needs to visit each of the 47 county governments to gather the information. Agreement with Motivation Romania for data collection is still pending with university Office of Research, and we are waiting for revised project timeline from Motivation Romania.

2. **Data Center:**

   Recent activities include:
   
   • Finalized data transfer with Jhpiego.
   • Completing data clean-up on all available studies.
   • Testing data access with Dalhousie University.
   • In discussion with LeTourneau University and World Vision ACCESS project about contributing data. ACCESS project will transfer data in July 2017, after project completion.
**Action: ISWP team** to send a note to EBP WG members to invite them to participate in the data center.

**Action: Tricia** to request general descriptions of the data from Karen Rispin.

3. **Comparative Effectiveness Research (CER) Subcommittee**

The CER Subcommittee met on Thursday, March 16 before the Evidence-based Practice Working Group call.

- The CER subcommittee presented the outcomes framework at ISS, March 2017 in Nashville.

- An intern was selected but not able to continue due to health issues. ISWP is recruiting another intern for summer 2017.

- The subcommittee received feedback on the AJOD paper and is addressing the changes.

- The subcommittee is developing a template for gathering information on validated outcome measures/tools as they pertain to the Comparative Effectiveness Research Framework. Johan Borg, CER Subcommittee member, is working with WHO to identify tools to measure outcomes related to assistive devices, such as function, participation in society and economic impact. The project is expected to be completed in August 2017. Johan thinks the WHO and CER Subcommittee projects will complement each other as most of general AT can be applied to wheelchairs.
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