

Forthcoming evidence-based courses and conferences

12–16th July

Critical Appraisal Skills Programme UK Training Week
Oxford, UK

This popular week supports health and social care professionals from across the UK and around the world who wish to disseminate evidence-based practice and decision-making within their organisation or locality. By the end of the course, participants will be able to critically appraise research evidence and to facilitate effective critical appraisal skills training.

Full programme details can be found at www.phru.nhs.uk/casp/trweek03.htm

8–12th August

6th Rocky Mountain Evidence-Based Health Care Workshop
Keystone, Colorado, USA

For more information visit the workshop website www.uchsc.edu/ebhc/

6–10 September

Workshop on Teaching Evidence-Based Medicine
Oxford, UK

This 5-day workshop will be chaired by Professor Paul Glasziou, Director of the Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine and Editor of *Evidence-Based Medicine*. It is aimed at clinicians and other health professionals who already have some knowledge of critical appraisal and experience in the practice of evidence-based healthcare and who want to explore issues around teaching evidence-based medicine. The workshop is not intended to serve as an introduction to evidence-based medicine itself. As well as English-speaking groups, this workshop will also facilitate Spanish-speaking groups. The workshop will be held at St Hilda's College (www.sthildas.ox.ac.uk).

For further details, see www.cebm.net

2–6 October

12th Cochrane Colloquium
Ottawa, Canada

The focus of the Colloquium is to bridge some of the key gaps that have been identified: gaps between the Cochrane Collaboration

and clinical practice, gaps between high- and low-income countries and individuals; gaps between methodologists and reviewers; and gaps between producers and users of healthcare information.

For further details, see www.colloquium.info

UK Cochrane Workshops for Reviewers

Workshop	July	September	December
Developing a protocol for a review	Tuesday 13th London	Monday 13th Oxford	Wednesday 1st Liverpool
Introduction to analysis	Wednesday 14th London	Tuesday 14th Oxford	Thursday 2nd Liverpool

Further details on these and workshops run by other Cochrane Centres can be found at www.cochrane.org/news/workshops.htm

The Oxford Master's Programme in Evidence-Based Health Care

The programme includes three part-time award bearing courses: a Postgraduate Certificate, a Postgraduate Diploma and an MSc. The aim of the Postgraduate Certificate Programme is to help health professionals become good 'consumers' of health research, by giving them the skills to find evidence, appraise evidence, and use evidence to make clinical and health management decisions. The Postgraduate Diploma and MSc levels focus on developing research skills. A work-study approach to learning is used, where health professionals identify relevant research issues within their work environment, and use the structure of the Diploma and MSc modules to design research projects which can generate evidence for healthcare. There is a minimum attendance requirement of 70% for each of the taught components on each course.

Further information is available at www.conted.ox.ac.uk/health/htmlfiles/master/masterfr.htm

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