

Digitizing Working Group Notes from Webex call on 12 June 2020 https://mcmaster.webex.com/meet/rise

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were no new members on the call. The following people participated on the call:

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Secretariat: Anna Dion, David Tovey, Safa Al-Khateeb

2. FOLLOW-UP ON ACTION ITEMS

Feedback on presentation

- Feedback was generally positive
- Would be helpful to provide short description of what the RIS file can do, why this was a first step and what it can contribute to; ask people to go and test and give feedback
- Initially share back to Synthesizing working group and then to partners group; invite them to test and determine value of feature
- Ideally would have live case to demonstrate added value of Enhance my RIS (e.g. LSRs linking to taxonomy or another active review topic among partners)

ACTION ITEM: Digitizing working group to prepare a document describing use cases for Enhance my RIS feature to share with broader COVID-END community

3. DISCUSSION OF SOLUTIONS FOR WORKING GROUPS

"Improve my RIS file" service Google document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1t2vtgVs4Iwc]2-

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- a. Discuss work on standardized RIS files
- Thinking around RIS and related meta-data can also contribute to coding taxonomy from the start to be linked to other repositories in a way to facilitate real-time updating
- Taxonomy should be developed in a way that speaks to existing repositories without requiring a new level of meta-data tagging; every result, should state the taxonomy and meta-data so that users also feed information back into taxonomy

- Option to establish standard built around EBMon FIHR standard code sets that include a range of quality classifiers. Testing "Enhance my RIS" across repositories may help identify codes that may be most relevant
- Incorporating quality and quality appraisal requires significant manual work; combining quality result, linking to search date of review with search returns identifying highest quality reviews first. This requires repositories already having that information in place.
- Particular value of Digitizing working group in developing "proof-of-concept" tools to be used for internal communication, education and as potential pilot data for funding applications
- Leveraging understanding of digital infrastructure to think about incremental steps towards key interventions in evidence synthesis community
- Without proof-of-concept, larger scale initiatives much more likely to fail

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https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kiSwBeUzcMJFhOcyYFfXUuo2x3GxQF WXplvcd_mKgU/edit#

- b. Discuss and place digital solutions, ideas and opportunities into the flow diagram contained in the Synthesizing Resources and Tools document
- The group started to discuss how digitization could contribute to processes identified in the flow diagram for evidence synthesis- for further discussion at future meeting

4. PRIORITY AREAS TO CONSIDER

a. Identifying other priority areas from the terms of reference to work towards

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS