

Call for Systematic Reviews in Maternal, Perinatal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health

Well conducted Systematic Reviews provide the best evidence to guide clinical practice, are cornerstone for the recommendations of Evidence-based practice guidelines, and should be an integral part of the planning future research. In contrast to traditional narrative reviews, Systematic Reviews address a well defined research question, use an explicit search strategy to locate all relevant evidence, evaluate the retrieved studies using prospectively defined methodological criteria and formally synthesize the results.

It is proposed to call for letter of Intents from scientists interested in carrying out Systematic Reviews in Maternal, Perinatal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health. It is intended to provide a forum for discussion of global Child Health issues.

Project proposals will be evaluated by ICMR for suitability and relevance to the current needs. Approved proposals would be provided a budget for conducting the Systematic Review.

Five hard copies of the application in prescribed format may please be sent to

TITLE : SYSTEMMATIC REVIEWS in Maternal, Perinatal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health

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How to apply? (Last Date : March 31, 2012)

The applications should include the following information:

1. Proposed Title of the Systematic Review:

Name of Contact Author

Designation

Institution/Organization

Address for correspondence	
Email	
Telephone number (with STD code)	

2. Review team composition (describing Name, affiliation, role of each team member)

Name	Affiliation	Role (Contact author, methods expert, information retrieval, statistical, content expert, etc.)

3. Justification for the review, referring to existing literature/systematic reviews on the topic
 (Situate the question in the literature, including describing the existing evidence and literature, estimated size and quality of the evidence base and the research team’s familiarity with it in up to 1000 words)

4. Objectives:

1. Primary

2. Secondary

5. Possible limitations and generalisability

Please describe the limitations of the systematic review, including issues of evidence type, issues resulting from different methodological approaches to studies and issues arising from contextual challenges [up to 300 words]

6. Brief Methodological / Analytical approach (adhere to PRISMA guidelines)

(What types of studies are to be included and excluded, and what methods of analysis are envisaged, including critical appraisal approach and analysis of impact heterogeneity? Please describe eligible study designs, measures, and methods of synthesis, and list possible studies to be included in the review (this list need not be comprehensive) [up to 500 words excluding list]

7. Brief CV of investigators in relation to Systematic Review Experience
with list of relevant publications in the last five years

Please describe any relevant experience you have had in systematic reviewing. Please include relevant organisations (example Campbell, EPPI-Centre or Cochrane) you have worked with in the past [up to 200 words]

1. Surname:	Date of Birth:
First name (s):	Sex:
2. Degree(s) (<i>subjects, university or school, year</i>)	
3. Posts held (<i>type of post, Institution/Faculty/department, date for the last 10 years</i>)	
4. <i>Previous Systematic Review Experience</i>	

5. Recent publications and other written outputs, which can include unpublished evaluation reports and systematic reviews: *(List only the ten most important Publications for the last five years (papers in press or submitted for publication are also acceptable). Please give full bibliographic reference (author(s), title, journal, volume, page numbers, years). Attach copies of papers in press or submitted only if these papers contain background material relevant to this proposal.*

8. Potential conflicts of interest

Have any of the authors any financial interests or been involved in the development of relevant interventions or primary research?

8. Time Schedule leading to Review Completion

9. Budget with justification:

Personnel

Contingencies

Recurring

Non-recurring

