

**ISWP Evidence-based Practice Working Group
February 4, 2016 Conference Call**

The ISWP Evidence-based Practice Working Group met by conference call on Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. U. S. Eastern Time. Participants' list follows. This provides a recap. A copy of the presentation is attached.

Link to meeting recording: <https://iswp.adobeconnect.com/p8zolukc2cx/>

Next Working Group call: **Thursday, March 3, 2016, 9:00 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time.**

Jon Pearlman commented on the importance of the Evidence-based Practice Working Group as it ties to every other ISWP Working Group. Once the subcommittees have launched their projects, ISWP will be engaging organizations worldwide to contribute information. ISWP recognizes organizations need to understand the benefit of contributing data and accessing the data repositories.

1. ***Comparative Effectiveness Research Subcommittee:*** Subcommittee is developing goals and defining effectiveness. At WG members' suggestion, subcommittee will include evaluation of effectiveness from societal point of view – the economic benefit for a ministry of health to provide an appropriate wheelchair. Next subcommittee call: Thursday, February 4, 2016, 10:00 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time.
2. ***Country Data Collection Subcommittee:*** The subcommittee is reviewing feedback from other IWSP Working Groups on data fields and developing an action plan for collecting information. This will include determining the level of effort/time involved to gather data for a country and the best open-access platform for storing and access information. Data validity could be a challenge, but the subcommittee and ISWP will establish internal feedback cycles to review/refine. Karen Rispin suggested the subcommittee include information about possible funding options for training and wheelchair provision. Jon Pearlman explained the project is vital for policy making, ventures in new markets and other sector decisions. Next subcommittee call: Thursday, February 18, 2016, 10:00 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time.
3. ***Minimum Uniform Data Set Subcommittee:*** Subcommittee is preparing a list of minimum standard data fields which organizations would be asked to provide to an ISWP central repository. Fields will be based on World Vision ACCESS project, as well as WHO Quality of Life (QOL) and Disability Assessment Schedule (QAS) indicators. Rich Schein contacted WHO for permission to use questionnaires and languages in which questionnaires have been translated. Next subcommittee call: Thursday, February 18, 1:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern Time.



4. **ISWP Funding Support:** Funds are set aside in the ISWP budget to support Working Groups' projects. The next round of funding proposals is due to ISWP on Friday, February 19, 2016. Subcommittees are asked to submit funding proposals to Padmaja Kankipati and Rich Schein, Working Group co-chairs, who will forward to the full Working Group for input and approval.
5. **Coordinated Meeting Schedule:** We appreciate Working Group and Subcommittee members' support of the 2016 coordinated meeting schedule. Based on feedback from other Working Group members, we revised the Guidelines for Successful Working Group and Subcommittee Calls. A copy is attached.

Subcommittees:

Comparative Effectiveness Research

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Nathan Bray (chair)	

Country Data Collection Project

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Minimum Uniform Data Set

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Participants:

- Johan Borg, Lund University
- ✓ Nathan Bray, Centre for Health Economics and Medicines Evaluation
- Mark Harniss, University of Washington
- ✓ Maria Toro Hernandez, Universidad CES
- Astrid Jenkinson, Motivation UK
- ✓ Padmaja Kankipati, SMOI, Co-Chair
- ✓ Eric Wunderlich, LDS Charities
- ✓ Molly Schengel, Free Wheelchair Mission
- Kavi Bhalla, Johns Hopkins University
- ✓ Karen Rispin, LeTourneau University
- ✓ Jon Pearlman, University of Pittsburgh
- ✓ Rich Schein, University of Pittsburgh, Co-Chair
- ✓ Deepan Kamaraj, University of Pittsburgh
- ✓ Rachel Gartz, University of Pittsburgh
- ✓ Nancy Augustine, University of Pittsburgh