



COVID-END partners coordination call

Notes from 4 February 2021

<https://zoom.us/j/6163788736>

1. INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Jeremy welcomed Yaolong Chen and Xuan Yu from Lanzhou University's Evidence Based Medicine Centre and Promise Nduku and Natalie Tannous from the Africa Centre for Evidence, who will be presenting today

2. REVIEW OF COVID-END ACTION ITEMS

- a. Jeremy pointed partners to the partner notes from 21 January (see attachment 2)

3. COVID-END NETWORK UPDATES

- a. John provided an update on new working groups (co-chairs, meetings to be scheduled, recruitment of new members)
 - i. Prioritizing – co-chairs Ruth McQuillan (Scotland) and Jorge Barreto (Brazil) confirmed and welcome expressions of interest in joining this new WG
 - ii. Profiling (possibly to be re-named Accessing) – co-chairs Holger Schunemann and Ruth Stewart confirmed and welcome expressions of interest in joining this new WG
 - iii. Advocating – co-chair Sylvia de Haan (Switzerland) provisionally confirmed and welcomes expressions of interest in joining her as co-chair and in joining this new WG
 - iv. **ACTIONS: Partners who haven't already signaled their interest in joining a new WG to notify Safa of their interest**
- b. John introduced the inaugural issue of the twice-a-month [COVID-END global inventory spotlight](#) and welcomed feedback about how to improve it

4. PARTNER PROFILE

- a. Two partners highlighted their COVID-19 evidence response
 - i. Evidence Based Medicine Centre, Lanzhou University (Yaolong Chen and Xuan Yu)
 - ii. **ACTION: Ivan to invite the team to present their COVID-19 guidelines assessment work at a future Recommending WG meeting**
 - iii. Africa Centre for Evidence (Laurenz Langer, Promise Nduku and Natalie Tannous)
 - iv. **ACTION: Laurenz to share a link to the [small, medium and micro-enterprise policy support database](#) (done – see link)**

5. NEWS AND INITIATIVES OF INTEREST TO PARTNERS

- a. Claire noted that Evidence Aid's 28th update on COVID-19 project can be found [here](#)
 - i. Highlights include:

- Currently there is data from more than 670 systematic reviews and summarised into plain language summaries of reviews in English with translations into Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Spanish and some into Italian and German.
 - Continue to work particularly hard on developing a library of ‘combined summaries’ (summaries of findings from multiple systematic reviews) making it easier to see evidence around a single subject.
 - More than 425,000 people have used the website since mid-March 2021 when project was started.
- b. Ivan Florez noted that JAMA Network Open has released their research letter about [duplicate systematic reviews in imaging findings of children with COVID 19](#)

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. No other business