1. **INTRODUCTIONS**
   a. No new partners to introduce today

2. **REVIEW OF COVID-END ACTION ITEMS**
   a. Jeremy pointed partners to the partner notes from 6 May (see attachment 2)

3. **COVID-END NETWORK UPDATES**
   a. Jeremy reminded partners about the need to respond to his email about WHO-ECC 19 paper authorship

4. **PARTNER PROFILE**
   a. Jeremy introduced two partners who described their contributions to the COVID-19 evidence response

5. **NEWS AND INITIATIVES OF INTEREST TO PARTNERS**
   a. Nikita Burke provided an update about Evidence Synthesis Ireland’s Priority III study
   b. Jeremy noted that the Africa Evidence Network, in collaboration with Republic of South Africa’s Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation, is launching an evidence management guide for the Socio-Economic Impact Assessment System (SEIAS)
      i. The launch will include government partners and researchers to:
         • explore the guide’s role in advancing and embedding evidence-informed policy-making in South Africa;
         • unpack how the SEIAS relates to other mechanisms of embedding evidence-use in government and why the guide is a core support to that end, and;
         • learn from examples of how the guide can support policy-makers to implement the SEIAS, enhance impact, and improve policy development.
      ii. Date and time: 24 May 2021, 2-4pm SAS
iii. Registration [here](#)

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

   a. Jeremy reminded partners that COVID-END will be having a ‘quiet week’ the week of 24-28 May