Equity in evidence synthesis: you can’t play on broken strings

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Abstract

The 2022 Cochrane Lecture challenged Cochrane and its community to enhance their equity efforts and presented specific issues needing attention. We have created an actionable plan to address these challenges. These include: 1. Setting priorities for reviews based on health equity and global burden of disease 2. Advocate and support initiatives to promote equity, diversity, and inclusion in Cochrane 3. Actively seek global representation in the governance of the Campbell and Cochrane Health Equity Thematic Group We advocate for the inclusion of health equity considerations in all Cochrane systematic reviews. To achieve this, we need the cooperation of all those involved, such as journal editors, funders, and researchers. We invite the global community to work with us to address these equity gaps in research and practice.

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