



INTERESTED IN METHODOLOGICAL RESEARCH?

DEVELOPMENT OF THE PRISMA-NMA REPORTING GUIDELINE

What is it?

- Often important information is not mentioned in published papers of systematic reviews
- **PRISMA-NMA** is a research project that looks into what should be reported in systematic reviews with a network meta-analysis (NMA).
- The project involves researchers, healthcare professionals, journal editors, and patients, caregivers and members of the public.

What is a systematic review with network meta-analysis?

A type of data analysis that must begin with a systematic review. Conducting a network meta-analysis allows us to combine findings from many different studies.

Read [this one-page document](#) on network meta-analysis.

What's the issue?

Published systematic reviews with NMA often lack clear and complete reporting of critical information. This can limit how well readers (including patients, clinicians, policy makers and others) can understand the findings and use them for their decision making.

What are the project goals?

- Develop a reporting guideline, so that authors of systematic reviews with network meta-analysis know what information should be reported, and how they should do this.
- Use this reporting guideline as a standard for all systematic reviews with network meta-analysis
- Invite a broad range of end-users, including patients, caregivers and members of the public, because they are affected by the findings of these systematic reviews.

How can I contribute?

- Our team is looking for patients, caregivers and members of the public with an **interest in methodological research**
- You will participate in up to three survey rounds between **February and June 2025**.
- Each survey will take approximately **60 minutes**.
- You will have **four weeks** to finish each survey - your answers will be kept confidential.
- You will have the opportunity to join the **virtual consensus meeting** to discuss the outcomes of the surveys (optional).
- **Compensation** will be offered to acknowledge your contributions: \$40 per hour for up to 5 hours (per patient), including onboarding meeting (1 hour), survey rounds (3 x 1 hour), and a feedback session (1 hour) after the last survey.

Are you interested?

Please read this [brief information sheet](#) about the project.

I would like to apply!

Complete the [expression of interest survey](#).

Please send your completed expression of interest survey form to the SPOR Evidence Alliance (SPOREA@smh.ca).

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