

THETA hosts international PRECIS Meeting

- PRagmatic Explanatory Continuum Indicator Summaries - Pragmatic trial design tool

When: Monday, 11th March 2013, 9:30-4:30 p.m.

Where: Leslie Dan Pharmacy Building, University of Toronto

Host: *Toronto Health Economics and Technology Assessment Collaborative (THETA)*

PRECIS Meeting Agenda

Morning session:

We would like to discuss results from a modified Delphi carried out in October and November 2012 and proposed modifications of the original PRECIS model published in 2009. This will entail participants discussing the PRECIS domains (looking at different aspect of trial design), scoring and structure of possible PRECIS models.

Afternoon session:

- Discussion on new approach to significance testing for pragmatic trials based on Schwartz and Lellouch's 1967 original paper (1 hour)
 - Plan a PRECIS elaboration paper, a detailed paper that picks out each of the assertions or ideas for PRECIS-2
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THETA host:

Murray Krahn, MD, MSc, FRCPC, is the Director of THETA, the F. Norman Hughes Chair in Pharmacoeconomics and Social and Administrative Pharmacy Division Head in the Faculty of Pharmacy, Professor at the University of Toronto, and Scientist and Adjunct Scientist at the Toronto General Research Institute and Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences

Organisers:

Joanna Bielecki, Mildred Lim, Karen Liu

Convenors:

Kirsty Loudon (University of Dundee), MPH, BSc (Hons), BN, PhD candidate; 2nd year Medical Research Council PhD Student at the University of Dundee working on thesis "Making trials matter: providing an empirical basis for the promotion (or rejection) of pragmatic design choices in clinical trials". Background in nursing, working with the Cochrane Collaboration and the Norwegian Knowledge Centre for Health Services.

Merrick Zwarenstein (Sunnybrook Research Institute), MD, PhD is a Senior Scientist, Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, University of Toronto. He is an internationally recognized leader in the methods and practice of pragmatic randomized trials. He was the principal investigator for a network of health services and policy researchers who developed part of the internationally recognized Consolidated Standards on Reporting of Randomized Trials (CONSORT) statement, which has influenced the way randomized trials are described and published.

Shaun Treweek (University of Aberdeen) PhD, BSc (Hons), Chair in Health Services Research, University of Aberdeen. Shaun Treweek has over 18 years experience as a health services researcher specialising in trial methodology. He is active in the field of pragmatic trial design, the design and pre-trial testing of complex interventions, interventions to improve recruitment to trials, and theory-based methods to assess the implementation potential of interventions.

Participants:

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