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Abstract:

In this symposium, presenters discuss issues encountered in the conduct of Campbell systematic reviews in social welfare. Emphasis is on unanticipated problems, issues that are not covered in standard texts or trainings on systematic reviews, and the solutions that Campbell reviewers have found to these problems. Examples include: searches that yield an unmanageable number of hits, difficulty establishing inter-rater agreement, creating workable electronic platforms for coding and storing data, and unanticipated issues that arise in pooling data across studies. Emphasis is on problems that are likely to be encountered in other Campbell systematic reviews, and ways in which we can learn from other reviewers' experiences. Audience members will be encouraged to participate in the identification and resolution of unanticipated problems in social welfare reviews.
