Author's response to reviews

Title: A narrative review of evidence on interventions to enhance access to best practice primary health care

Authors:

Elizabeth Comino (e.comino@unsw.edu.au)
Gawaine Powell-Davies (g.powell-davies@unsw.edu.au)
Yordanka Krastev (y.krastev@unsw.edu.au)
Marion Haas (marion.haas@chere.uts.edu.au)
Bettina Christl (b.christl@unsw.edu.au)
J Furler (j.furler@unimelb.edu.au)
A Raymont (raymonts@vodafone.co.nz)
Mark F Harris (m.f.harris@unsw.edu.au)

Version: 2 Date: 21 June 2012

Author's response to reviews: see over
21\textsuperscript{th} June 2012

Ms Natalie Pafitis,
Executive Editor,
BMC Health Services Research,
BioMed Central

\textbf{Paper Title:} A systematic review of evidence on interventions to enhance access to best practice primary health care

\textbf{Investigators:} A/Prof Elizabeth Comino, A/Prof Gawaine Powell-Davies, Dr Yordanka Krastev, A/Prof Marion Haas, Ms B Christl, Dr J Furler, Dr A Raymont, Prof Mark Harris.

Dear Ms Pafitis,

Thank you for your timely feedback on our paper. I have addressed your findings as follows

1. Narrative changed to systematic review. However, this was not a systematic ‘Cochrane’ review, but a careful systematic review of the published literature. We did not attempt a meta-analysis of study findings.

2. PRISMA guidelines – I have included a completed PRISMA checklist noting that some of the items were not relevant or appropriate to this review. I have added an additional appendix outlining the search terms that we used for database searches. I have also added a statement that further details of the protocol are available from the authors. I will look into placing these on our website. I have replaced ‘narrative’ with ‘systematic’.

The authors are listed above. All have made substantial contributions to this work and have agreed to publication.

This research was approved by the University of New South Wales Human Research Ethics Committee Advisory Panel G (HREC: 2008-7-67) on 13\textsuperscript{th} October 2008.

Yours Sincerely

Elizabeth Comino
Associate Professor
Centre for Primary Health Care and Equity

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
UNSW SYDNEY NSW 2052 AUSTRALIA
Telephone: +61(2) 9385 8406
Facsimile: +61(2) 9385 1513
Email: E.Comino@unsw.edu.au
ABN 57 195 873 179
CRICOS Provider No. 00098G
A/Prof Elizabeth Comino