What’s New on CUE Website

Quick guide to the Resources Section! Be sure to check out the new “Resources” tab on the Cochrane US website for a list of direct links to important resources on evidence-based healthcare!

CUE’s short-shorts: Standard 3 of the Institute of Medicine’s 2011 report, Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust, outlines the expectations for consumer involvement in guidelines. We want to make sure that all stakeholders, consumers and those traditionally involved in creating guidelines, have the educational tools they need to make consumer involvement a win-win. CUE created six video “short-shorts” (Serving on an Advisory Panel, each 2-4 minutes long) about serving on advisory panels, mainly geared to those getting involved for the first time. Feedback is welcome! What do you want to know more about? What can we do differently? Please send your comments to rdatar1@jhu.edu.

Clearinghouse Opportunities

American Society of Hematology—Clinical Practice Guideline Any interested CUE members should contact Reva Datar at rdatar1@jhu.edu or submit a Consumer Application through the CUE website. Deadline: None specified

American College of Physicians—Seeking patient representatives for Clinical Guideline Committee. They are looking to fill 2 committee spots and 8 jury member spots. Any interested CUE members should contact Reva Datar at rdatar1@jhu.edu or submit a Consumer Application through the CUE website. Deadline: March 30, 2016
Top Stories from CUE Facebook Group

**Canadian experts say 'no' to colonoscopy for colon cancer screening**

02.22.16 (Reuters)
"The Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health care recommends that colonoscopy should not be used to screen adults for colon cancer"

Posted by: Lorraine Johnson, LymeDisease.org

**How pharma keeps a trove of drug trials out of public view**

01.07.16 (Australasian Open Access Strategy Group)
"The publisher recently asked if I would volunteer my time to be a member of the editorial board of the new journal 'Research Involvement and Engagement' and also speak at their events in Australia. It is a new journal being run on a not-for-profit model and BioMed Central are world-leaders in open access publishing, so it was exciting to accept."

Posted by: Lorraine Johnson, LymeDisease.org

**If you fail to reproduce another scientist’s results, this journal wants to know**

02.04.16 (Science)
The biotech company Amgen Inc. and prominent biochemist Bruce Alberts have created a new online journal that aims to lift the curtain on often hidden results in biomedicine: failed efforts to confirm other groups' published papers

Posted By: Kay Dickersin, Cochrane US

**Why a cancer ‘moonshot’ is unlikely to find us a cure**

01.29.16 (The Washington Post)
"...thinking you will substantively improve cancer treatment by altering how it is regulated is like thinking you can run a faster mile by buying a new stopwatch. The efficacy of cancer drugs is beyond the FDA’s control, and no one doubts it would approve transformative drugs or drug combinations if they appeared."

Posted by: Reva Datar, CUE Coordinator

**Journal Editors To Researchers: Show Everyone Your Clinical Data**

01.27.16 (NPR)
"Medical editors don't usually attract much attention. They perform their daily duties evaluating submissions and producing articles that, on good days, influence practice and policy."

Posted by: Jimmy Lê
Resources and Education

Conversations.Learning.Evidence.Opportunities (CLEO): Don’t forget to browse all of CUE’s online resources to find useful websites, interesting TEDTalks, and helpful webinars! Do you have content that you would like to add to CLEO? Contact Reva Datar at rdatar1@jhu.edu or post in the CUE Facebook Group to share your resources!

March’s Featured Course: Understanding Evidence-based Healthcare: A Foundation for Action:

This free online course has been created by the United States Cochrane Center as part of a project undertaken by Consumers United for Evidence-based Healthcare (CUE), and is designed to help consumer advocates understand the fundamentals of evidence-based healthcare concepts and skills. Registration is open and free of charge. Participants are encouraged to finish the course in three months. We recommend that participants complete only 1-2 modules at a time. Participants must commit to filling out evaluation forms upon completion of each module.

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