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Message from the Executive Director

Welcome to the first issue of JBI Matters for 2017. I am delighted to be back at JBI after having most of last year off with my daughter, Evie Grace (pictured). I am a little slimmer and a lot more tired than I was this time last year but I have learned a lot having added ‘mother’ to my list of hats, including the ability to embrace the unknown. There can be no question that life brings chaos. However, that chaos can also bring with it enormous rewards if we are brave enough to face it. As many of you know JBI has undergone some significant changes over the last couple of years. The implementation and ongoing evaluation of those changes has been challenging for all involved but I firmly believe that it has set us on the right path to transform our organisation and provide us with a solid and sustainable basis for growth.

Our focus and strategy are clear: to continue to provide the best available evidence at the point of care and tools to support its use in policy and practice via a platform that can be accessed globally to improve health outcomes locally. It’s a bold and daring mission that we work towards with our international collaboration, subscribers, students and our commercial partners.

This year we will continue to consolidate some of the changes we have put in place and, following an epic year of development in 2016, we will officially launch the new JBI SUMARI suite, we are now teaching re-developed training programs and we are both proud and excited about co-hosting the Global Evidence Summit in Cape Town, South Africa this September alongside the Cochrane and Campbell Collaborations, G-I-N and ISEBHC. It is the first time these organisations have joined forces to create a premiere event in evidence based policy and speaks to the increasing strength of the relationships between these world leading groups. I continue to be very proud to work with colleagues both here in Adelaide and around the world and I look forward to seeing all that we can achieve together in 2017.

Associate Professor Zoe Jordan
Clinical Fellowship program

Eleven JBI Clinical Fellows gathered in the JBI Headquarters in Adelaide to complete their six month program on 3rd February 2017. The Clinical Fellows presented on how they improved health outcomes in their areas of expertise to an audience of their peers, supervisors and University of Adelaide staff.

JBI’s intakes for the Evidence-Based Clinical Fellowship Program are March, May and June 2017. For more information please email Heather for more information: jbieducation@adelaide.edu.au.

We thank the trainers of this program, JBI Implementation Research Fellows Ms. Alexa McArthur, Mr. Sandeep Moola, Dr. Micah Peters, Dr. Lucylynn Lizarondo and Dr. Matthew Stephenson.

Global Evidence Summit

The Global Evidence Summit Conference is being held from 13-16 September 2017 in Cape Town, South Africa. This conference is aimed at individuals with an interest in systematic reviews, research synthesis and evidence based health care. The deadline for submitting abstracts for oral presentations, workshops and special sessions is 1st March 2017. Abstract submissions are invited in the following categories, evidence production, evidence synthesis, evidence tools, evidence implementation and evaluation. Instructions for oral presentations and poster abstracts can be found on the website. For more information on abstract submissions click here.

JBI Clinical Fellow JingXian Yu of Fudan University, China presents best practice for “Preoperative fasting in patients with primary liver cancer”
Cochrane Nursing Care Field

The Cochrane Nursing Care Field (CNCF) finished 2016 with a higher than expected level of output, with the Field publishing over 110 summaries on Cochrane nursing related reviews. During the past year the CNCF also rebuilt its website in line with Cochrane’s rebranding, and established a new template for ‘Cochrane Corner’ articles to increase the profile and improve the overall quality of the Field’s summary work. This was an immense achievement for the CNCF and had a significant impact on the global dissemination of Cochrane evidence on nursing and related care. The Field’s activities have been recognised by Cochrane for its decentralised structure and efficient working processes that has enabled the CNCF to successfully operate and to engage widely without external funding.

Master of Public Health Course
Enrolments open

The Transfer Science team at JBI has been working on producing an infographic to help promote the Master of Public Health (Translational Health Science) course (pictured). The course which is available in 2017 is aimed at graduates of health related disciplines who are interested in gaining knowledge and skills in evidence based healthcare, in both public health and clinical settings. The program duration is two years full time or part time equivalent. Academic credit may be granted on a case by case basis. For more information contact www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/2017/mph_mpubhit.html or email: jbieducation@adelaide.edu.au.
GRADE Workshop

The Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach reflects ‘best practice’ in terms of clinical guideline development and has been endorsed by organisations across the globe. The JBI Adelaide GRADE Centre offers a one-day workshop designed for systematic reviewers, guideline developers and others wanting to learn more about GRADE methodology, particularly the creation of Summary of Findings tables and Evidence Profiles. The course includes information on the theory of GRADE along with hands-on activities. Click here to register for the March Workshop.

2017 dates:
27 March, 9am–4.30pm
19 May, 9am–4.30pm
4 August, 9am–4.30pm
20 October, 9am–4.30pm

Evidence-Based Clinical Fellowship Program

Be empowered and equipped with the skills to improve patient outcomes. This program provides proven approaches to implement evidence into practice. This is a six-month workplace, evidence-based, implementation program involving two five-day intensive workshops in the Joanna Briggs Institute, and a workplace evidence implementation project over the intervening months. On completion participants have a report ready to be published in a peer reviewed journal and accessible in international medical databases and Google Scholar. Click here to register for the March 2017 intake of the Evidence-Based Clinical Fellowship Program.

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Clinical Leadership Program

This one-day, dynamic and transformative program is open to clinical leaders and leaders-to-be from all health care disciplines. JBI facilitators guide participants through contemporary models and tools to enable participants to develop understandings and strategies related to clinical leadership and change management in health care using real world examples. Click here to register for the 7 March 2017 Clinical Leadership Program.
Comprehensive Systematic Review Full Training Program (Modules 1, 2 and 3)

This world-class systematic review training program incorporates both theory and hands-on experience. Throughout the program participants learn how to develop a focused question, search for relevant literature, appraise and synthesise evidence arising from research.

By the end of the program participants will have a completed protocol and be ready to commence a review.

On successful completion of the program participants can become Certified Reviewers. Certified Reviewers are accredited for a period of two years as authors in the JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports (JBISRIR), a refereed online journal, the content of which is indexed in Embase, Scopus, Mosby’s Index (Elsevier), CINAHL (EBSCO) and MEDLINE.

Click here to register for the March 2017 intake of the Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program.

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External events

Further information and registration forms for the following events are located on the external events page of the JBI website:

The Czech Republic (Middle European) Centre for Evidence-Based Healthcare
Address: Hnevotinska 3 775 15, Olomouc, Czech Republic
Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
4–8 September 2017

Portugal Centre for Evidence Based Practice
Address: Escola Superior de Enfermagem de Coimbra
Rua 5 de Outubro e ou Avenida Bissaya Barreto, Apartado 55, 3001-901 Coimbra Portugal
Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
26–30 June 2017
Please email investiga@esenfc.pt for further details

The Queensland Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery
Address: Nursing Research Centre, Level 2, Aubigny Place, Mater Hospital, Raymond Terrace, South Brisbane QLD 410, Australia
Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
20–24 February 2017

The UCSF Centre for Evidence Synthesis and Implementation
Address: UCSF Medical Center Institute for Nursing Excellence
2233 Post Street, Ste 201, Box 1834, San Francisco, CA USA 94115, 01-415-353-1993
Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
13–17 March 2017
24–30 April 2017
12–16 June 2017
14–18 August 2017
25–29 September 2017

The Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare, Nottingham, UK
Address: University of Nottingham
Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, NG7 2UH
United Kingdom
Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
3–7 July 2017
Contact shs-cebhc@nottingham.ac.uk

If you wish to advertise your event on the JBI website, please email your request to jbieducation@adelaide.edu.au
Centre changes

The Australian Capital Regional Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery Practice (Canberra, Australia)

Dr. Tracy Robinson has stepped down as Director of The Australian Capital Regional Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery Practice Centre of Excellence. We would like to thank her for her contribution and effort with the Centre. Dr. David Larkin will take the lead as Acting Centre Director until a new Centre Director is appointed.

Singapore National University Hospital (NUH) Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing: a Joanna Briggs Institute Centre of Excellence

JBI farewell Professor Emily Ang who is retiring as Director of the Singapore National University Hospital (NUH) Centre for Evidence-Based Nursing Centre of Excellence. Professor Ang was the founding Director of the Singapore Centre, and JBI thanks her for her long term contribution to the Joanna Briggs Collaboration. JBI welcomes Dr. Siti Zubaidah Mordiffi who is stepping up from Deputy Director to take on the Directorship of Singapore NUH, and Goh Mien Li as Deputy Director.

Collaborating entity staff update

A reminder that all Centres of Excellence are required to submit a ‘Collaborating Entity Staff Update form’ to the Collaboration Support Unit, listing current Core Staff (up to a maximum of 10) and Adjunct staff as per the policy and request circulated on 12th September 2016.

Any new Core Staff members that require special user access to JBI Connect+ must also include a Special User Form.

Please return forms to the CSU via email jbc@adelaide.edu.au no later than Friday 24th February 2017.

Please note that Special User access for Centres that do not submit the required forms will expire in March 2017.

57th JBC Committee of Directors Meeting (10-12 April 2017)

All Centre Directors and Group Convenors have now received an email request to provide their contact details for the upcoming April teleconference. The times and dates have been issued for each Entity, therefore, if you have not yet confirmed your attendance and contact details, please do so ASAP by contacting the Collaboration Support Unit (CSU) jbc@adelaide.edu.au
### Regional Chairs update

The Joanna Briggs Collaboration Regional Chairs elected for 2017 are as follows:

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Commencement of our new 2017 HDR student group

On February 6th 2017, JBI welcomed 15 Masters and PhD students to its higher degree program (JBI-HDRP). The students have recently completed their first week of intensive training in evidence based healthcare and JBI systematic review methods.

The majority of students belonging to this cohort are currently working in various healthcare settings and would like to directly impact practices by focusing on their professional areas of interest. JBI academic staff have been pleased by the level of engagement and knowledge already demonstrated by the new students.

Although it is still early days, all indications suggest a strong level of research output from this student group. Students seem to have enjoyed the training and appear to be committed in undertaking research for publication.

The JBI-HDRP received a lot of interest in our 2017 higher degree intake from local and interstate candidates. Although this resulted in a lengthy interview and appraisal process, it enabled us to apply a greater degree of scrutiny to the applications received, ensuring only the highest calibre and most suited applicants were awarded a position within our research program. Given the multidisciplinary nature of the degree, the JBI-HDRP continues to attract healthcare professionals from a range of backgrounds all wanting to make a significant contribution to their respective field of health service delivery. The majority of students belonging to this cohort are healthcare professionals with backgrounds including occupational therapy, nursing, surgery, paramedicine, midwifery and orthopaedics. The intensive residencies within the HDR program provide students with the framework for successful study and timely completion, with introductions to systematic review development, statistical concepts, qualitative methods and protocol development. Notwithstanding, this latest group remained engaged throughout and are already demonstrating a sound capacity to understand the content and meet the expectations of program. The first week intensive is designed to equip our new students with sufficient preliminary understanding of our JBI methodologies to commence preparation of a systematic review protocol and give initial consideration to their search strategies. Meetings with supervisors during the week solidified this knowledge, and led to very interesting systematic review questions being developed.

The student PICO presentations during the Friday agenda revealed some ambitious work being undertaken within this latest group, and demonstrated the genuine personal interest our new students
have in the concepts they will be working to validate. JBI academic staff who were in attendance for the student presentations were impressed by the diversity of topics and methods that were presented.

This year’s students (PhD and Master of Clinical Science) will take on an additional knowledge translation activity in developing a JBI Best Practice Information Sheet (BPIS) based upon a previous JBI systematic review. With the support of their supervisor, students will select a topic, and Draft a BPIS that will be disseminated internationally, increasing the accessibility of systematic review findings to clinicians and providing our HDR students with experience in developing resources to facilitate the translation of knowledge and extending their skill set in EBHC.

Dr. Micah Peters will be running a workshop for students on how to prepare a BPIS during Research School this year.

Studying in JBI at The University of Adelaide as a postgraduate student is usually motivated by an interest in learning about systematic reviews, EBHC and becoming published, while answering an important question related to an area of interest. Being confronted with a series of university required administrative processes and rules can seem worrying. This year’s students were introduced and guided through the core university expectations by Alex Mignone, HDR Program Coordinator. In his presentation, Alex outlined the key dates, key activities and discussed review processes to assist students with their studies. We are confident the experience for all our HDR students will be positive due to the tremendous support received at the commencement of their candidature.

We would like to thank to Associate Professor Craig Lockwood for his presentations on CSR training modules and Qualitative Research Methods, and to Dr. Catalin Tufanaru and Dr. Jared Campbell for their shared presentations on Statistical Concepts. We also thank Barr Smith Librarian, Maureen Bell, for her presentation on searching techniques. A further thank you to HDR Program Coordinator, Alex Mignone, for providing students with an introduction to the degree requirements and assessment deadlines outlined by the University Graduate Centre.

Lastly, thank you to all our JBI academic staff for support and mentorship shown to our new students throughout this week, as they commence their protocols.
HDR Matters

HDR commencing student

Wendy Scott (Feb 2017 intake)

Wendy Scott is one of the new students who has joined our HDR program as part of the Feb 2017 intake. Wendy is a dedicated Registered Nurse and for over 25 years she has worked with the mentally ill. She has enjoyed a varied career, having worked in both rural and metropolitan settings in Victoria, Northern Territory, and in her home state of South Australia. Wendy has also spent a lot of time working in community health, inpatient and educational settings. Currently she is a Nursing Director for Mental Health, Research and Education for Central Adelaide Local Health Network.

Wendy’s passion is working with people across cultures and spends her spare time visiting Nepal and offering learning exchanges for mental health professionals through her Social Enterprise: ‘WATT I Can Do!’ www.watticando.com.au

Academically, Wendy was hospital trained in General and Mental Health nursing and has completed post graduate studies in Family Therapy, Chronic Conditions (Self-Management) and Public Administration (Management). By taking on the JBI research degree, Wendy’s aim is to lead by example and highlight the importance of ensuring healthcare services deliver the best evidence based, cost effective, quality care that improves clinicians’ practice and provides better outcomes for people who need those services. More specifically, the focus of Wendy’s research is aimed at evidencing the use of the ‘Maastricht Approach’ as an effective and efficient therapeutic method for people who hear voices, enabling them to better self-manage distressing symptoms.