

Collating and addressing peer review comments

Peer review comments should be collated before sending to the Authors. Ensure that names and affiliations are included for those participating in named peer review, and removed for those not participating in named peer review (note - this is in cases set out in [Exceptions to named peer review: special cases](#)). Peer reviewer comments may be edited for clarity and also if they are contrary to Cochrane standards; comments may also be merged or prioritised.

Ensuring that authors address peer reviewers' comments

Authors must provide a point-by-point response to peer review comments indicating how they have been addressed. Cochrane Review Groups (CRGs) and the Diagnostic Test Accuracy (DTA) Editorial Team are under no obligation to undertake any further editorial steps until they are able to check the corrected version meets the requirements of the peer reviewers. For further information, see [Addressing peer reviewers' comments](#).

The CRG or DTA Editor with sign-off responsibility for the Cochrane Review is responsible for ensuring that authors have considered and incorporated any relevant and reasonable peer reviewers' comments that they receive.