# Cochrane Editorial and Publishing Policy Resource

Cochrane’s editorial and publishing policies and practices for articles published in the *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews*, the *Cochrane Library*.

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This section provides guidance for editorial teams on how to implement the policies listed in the Cochrane Editorial and Publishing Policy Resource plus policies or information specific to Editors involved in the preparation and publication of Cochrane Reviews and other Cochrane content.

**Appeals policy: editorial management**
- Appeals process
- Support resources (appeals)

**Assigning What’s New events to Cochrane Reviews**

**Authorship and contributorship: editorial management**
- Authors using group name: Archie and RevMan guidance
- Joint first authors: assigning in RevMan
- Change in author affiliation: RevMan and Archie guidance
- Deceased authors: Implementation guidance

**Cochrane Review Group Specialized Register: request for exemptions**

**Comments on Cochrane Reviews: editorial management**
General editorial policies applicable throughout the preparation of articles before publication.

Authorship and contributorship
- Criteria for authorship
- Editors or editorial staff as authors of Cochrane Reviews from their Cochrane Review Group
- Changes in authorship
- Authors using a group name
- Joint first authors
- Change in author affiliation
- Deceased authors
- Changes to author name
- Changes to author contact details
- Authorship disputes

Conflicts of interest and Cochrane Reviews
- Policy: conflicts of interest and Cochrane Reviews
- Conflicts of interest declarations for Editorials

Defamation

Complimentary access to selected Wiley journals for Cochrane Review Groups and Satellites

Conflict of interest: steps to action

Editors and CoI panel decisions

Co-publication templates for CRG Managing Editors

Copy Edit Support

Data protection

Editorial note: editorial guidance

Editorial responsibility and approval

EMD screening resources
- Feedback from Associate Editors

Figures and tables: general reporting guidelines

Gold open access Cochrane Reviews and Protocols: editorial management

International editorial organizations: information for Cochrane Editors

More than one Cochrane Review Group (CRG) providing editorial support on a Cochrane Review

Overlapping scope: editorial management

Proposals for new Cochrane Reviews: editorial management
- Proposals from authors to conduct new Cochrane Reviews: process and guidance for Cochrane editors
- Title formats for Cochrane Reviews
- Review proposal forms

Peer review: editorial management
- Aim of peer review
- Editorial roles during the peer review process
- Acknowledgement
- Collating and addressing peer review comments
- CRG and DTA editorial team peer review policies and procedures
- Declarations of potential conflicts of interest for peer reviewers: implementation information
- Delegation of peer review responsibilities
- Exceptions to named peer review: editorial management
- Feedback to peer reviewers
- Inviting peer reviewers
- Inviting peer reviewers to be authors
- Number and expertise of peer reviewers: implementation
- Peer review cheklists
- Support resources (peer review)
- Cochrane TaskExchange: new peer reviewers

Plagiarism: editorial management
- Detecting plagiarism using Similarity Check
- What to do in cases of suspected plagiarism in submitted articles
- Managing reports of suspected plagiarism in articles published in the CDSR
- Support resources (plagiarism)

Policy for managing potentially problematic studies: implementation guidance
• Re-use of Cochrane Reviews for users and third parties
• Authors/copyright owners of Cochrane Reviews
• Inclusion in a thesis or dissertation
• Cochrane Groups (including Cochrane Review Groups): Abstracts and Plain language summaries
• Translator terms and conditions

PROSPERO: International prospective register of systematic reviews

Promoting Cochrane Reviews: how to plan dissemination activities

Rejection policy: editorial management
• Implementing the rejection policy
• Support resources (rejection policy)

Withdrawing published Cochrane Reviews: editorial management
• Steps to withdraw a Cochrane Review
• Display of published withdrawn articles

Blog Posts
• Blog: Policy change for withdrawing published Cochrane Reviews created by Harriet MacLehose Oct 15, 2019
  Cochrane Editorial and Publishing Policy Resource
• Blog: A new home for Cochrane’s editorial and publishing policies created by Harriet MacLehose Aug 19, 2019
  Cochrane Editorial and Publishing Policy Resource