

Welcome to the second Evidence Aid bi-monthly news bulletin. We will keep the news items short and our aim is to keep you informed of progress, plans, and achievements, and to share relevant information from others. Please pass this news bulletin to your friends/colleagues.

1. Evidence Aid 2012 Annual Report

The Evidence Aid 2012 Annual Report has been published and uploaded to our website. The full-colour version is too large to include with this bulletin (15MB), but I have attached a black and white version for your interest. If you wish to send this to colleagues and friends, please do so.

2. Priority setting meeting, June 2013 –SURVEY OPEN UNTIL 1 MAY!

We now have around 20 participants (including representatives from donors, aid agencies, non-governmental organisations and academics) who will take part in a priority setting meeting in London in early June 2013. The aim of the meeting is to prioritise 30 systematic reviews from a list of the top ten themes. If you haven't done so already, please help with this by spending 5 minutes to take the survey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/D2HXN76>).

3. Conference representation over the coming months

Claire will represent the Evidence Aid team at the following conferences: (a) MSF Scientific Day, 10 May, London; (b) WADEM, 28-31 May, Manchester; and (c) Cochrane Colloquium, 19-23 September, Quebec. If you are going to be at any of these events, please let us know so that we can arrange to meet up.

4. Radiation reviews for the World Health Organization

We are undertaking a number of reviews for the World Health Organization relating to the public health response to radiation emergencies, following the Fukushima nuclear disaster. If you are interested in volunteering to help with any of these reviews, please contact Claire.

5. Publications

The preliminary results of the Evidence Aid Needs Assessment Survey were published in January: Kayabu B, Clarke M. The Use of Systematic Reviews and Other Research Evidence in Disasters and Related Areas: Preliminary Report of a Needs Assessment Survey. PLOS Currents Disasters. 2013 Jan 22. Edition 1. The report is freely available at <http://currents.plos.org/disasters/article/dis-12-0017-the-use-of-systematic-reviews-and-other-research-evidence-in-disasters-and-related-areas-preliminary-report-of-a-needs-assessment-survey/>.

6. Communications

Finally, you can follow us on Twitter (@EvidenceAid), on our Facebook page (Evidence Aid), via our website (www.evidenceaid.org) and you can also contact Claire using LinkedIn (Claire Allen).

We hope you've found this news bulletin to be informative and helpful. If you would rather not receive any further bulletins, please let us know.

With best wishes,

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