

# **JBI ANNUAL REPORT 2020**



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# 2020 **SNAPSHOT**

The widespread impact of JBI, both in Australia and worldwide, is attributable to our local and global partnerships that ensure evidence-based activities are context-specific and driven by individuals and groups that understand their specific health environments.

# **COMPREHENSIVE JBI REBRAND**

NEW - LOGO - NAME - IDENTITY

# **JBI METHODOLOGICAL PROGRAM**



**SCOPING REVIEW** NETWORK LAUNCHED JBI MANUAL FOR EVIDENCE IMPLEMENTATION PUBLISHED

# **COVID-19 SPECIAL COLLECTION**





# **WORLD EBHC DAY FOUNDED BY JBI**





22 VIRTUAL EVENTS **IN 14 COUNTRIES** 

**JBI COLLABORATING ENTITIES** 



# **JBI EVIDENCE SYNTHESIS**





**INCREASE IN FULL TEXT** VIEWS TO ARTICLES

# **JBI PUBLICATIONS**



# JBI EVIDENCE IMPLEMENTATION

**INCREASE IN** 

SITE VISITS

1.53 IMPACT FACTOR





# PREDATORY PUBLISHING PRACTICES **GROUP ESTABLISHED**



# **JBI BEST PRACTICE INFORMATION SHEETS** LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

# **JBI CSRTP REGISTRATIONS GLOBALLY**

# **EVOLVING** AND **THRIVING** WITH **CHANGE**

In a year marked by the onset of COVID-19 and other global struggles, JBI characteristically doubled down, and the results achieved in 2020 are a testimony to the resilience, strength and quality of our people and those we partner with around the world. Unlike many organisations, we have been fortunate that COVID-19 has presented an opportunity for us to reinforce JBI's value proposition as it relates to the role of evidence to inform decisions in policy and practice.

In a time when having access to reliable, trustworthy information is of paramount importance, we have taken great pride in the quality of the content and resources we produce to support evidence-informed decision-making and evidence-based practice.

I am exceedingly proud of the way in which our team was able to pivot activity to ensure we could continue to meet our obligations to stakeholders across the globe. Their willingness to work in new and agile formats, to learn new technologies and to be flexible in their operations was truly a testimony to their dedication to JBI and our vision and mission.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our partners, collaborators, subscribers and students for their steadfast commitment to the JBI vision and mission as we navigate the path forward.

Prof Zoe Jordan Executive Director, JBI

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# **2020 HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Wolters Kluwer Health Sales Meeting, Scottsdale, Arizona, USA

We were fortunate to travel to the US in February just before COVID-19 hit us in full force to attend the WKH Sales Meeting. This unique opportunity was the beginning of an important and meaningful dialogue supporting the sale of JBI EBP resources globally.



### **JBI COVID-19 Special Collection**

In an effort to support decision-making in relation to COVID-19, JBI released a special collection of free access, evidence-based resources for health professionals and health services.

#### JBI Evidence Synthesis and JBI Evidence Implementation

JBI's two international journals were relaunched in 2020, each with a new name, new look and new focused scope.



# World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day

and the American College of Physicians.

### **Digital Learning**

JBI pivoted its flagship short courses to remote delivery to meet the increased demand for virtual evidence synthesis and evidence implementation training programs. We also developed and delivered monthly webinars, JBI LIVE and micro video content with the Ask JBI Evidence Synthesis series.



## **JBI Collaboration Annual General Meeting**

Our annual general meeting with the JBI Collaboration certainly looked a little different to normal. We met over three days to accommodate different regions and time zones and covered both business and scientific content. The meetings were all very well attended, and we learnt much from our virtual experience.







We were proud to launch World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day on 20 October this year with the support of partners like Cochrane, the Campbell Collaboration, Guidelines International Network (GIN), Institute for Evidence Based Healthcare, the Africa Evidence Network, National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE)



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# **STRATEGIC PLAN 2020 – 2024**

### **JBI NEW HORIZONS: BIGGER, BETTER, BRIGHTER**

# OUR VISION

Better evidence, better outcomes, brighter future

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Promoting and supporting evidence-based healthcare

# **OUR VALUES**

**Leadership:** The courage to shape a brighter future

**Collaboration:** Leverage diversity collective intellect

Quality: A focus on achieving excellence and value

**Creativity:** To be bold, brave and daring in all that we do

Sustainability: Ensuring we can achieve impact for future generations

# OUR GOAL

To be a global leader in evidence-based healthcare, providing high quality resources to improve outcomes at the point of care

### Impact Horizon

To ensure JBI generates impact by informing policy and practice and the global discourse as it relates to evidencebased healthcare.

### **Quality Horizon**

To develop a robust strategy for continuous quality improvement of products, processes and services across all programs.

#### **Viability Horizon**

To build a sustainable business strategy that prioritises the long-term survival of JBI and enhances our capacity to endure and remain relevant to key stakeholders.

#### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES **FIVE YEAR GOAL PRIORITY 1: Engagement and Exchange** (stakeholder communication) This strategy recognises that our success is manifest through our Stakeholder connections with other like-minded engagement individuals and groups, whether is recognised through formal collaboration and across programs partnership or through other forms as being part of of stakeholder consultation and our corporate engagement. It recognises the central responsibility importance of engagement and and knowledge communication in the distinctive work exchange is we do and its relevance to clinical. a significant educational, research and policy contributor to settings across international borders. It our ability to stresses the importance of exchanging achieve our vision ideas and the provision of education and mission with to all who are interested in learning members and from our 20 plus years of working in stakeholders. evidence-based healthcare. Identifying and interacting with the right local, national and international stakeholders will extend the depth and impact of our world-class research and further our capacity to promote and support evidence-based healthcare. **PRIORITY 2: Evidence and Empirics**

# (scholarship and research)

We place high value on the creation of an intellectual environment that contributes both scientifically and pragmatically to the evidence-based agenda. With this in mind, JBI will seek to reassert our ambition to be a leading national and international leader through methodological development and other research related to the pursuit of evidencebased healthcare, acknowledging the boost in research performance that this will require. This strategic plan affirms our commitment to, and support for, a diversity of perspectives and the importance of investigating all aspects of evidence-based healthcare (synthesis, transfer and implementation) as well as strategies for collaboration globally.

All programs are underpinned by a robust program of empirics and scholarly investigation to drive methodological development related to furthering the "science" of evidence-based healthcare.

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#### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES **FIVE YEAR GOALS PRIORITY 3: Evaluation and Excellence** (continuous quality improvement) Organisational stability and growth must be based upon maintaining a focus on improvement. The use of diverse evidence to inform decisionmaking remains central to IBI, both All programs and scientifically and organisationally. resources are Evidence enables us to discover, evaluated on a predict, visualise, collaborate, regular basis and model and manage our business strategies identified and to provide high quality, reliable to overcome

information to others. This strategy aims to build confidence, capability and capacity across program areas through robust program evaluation, quality improvement and the production and use of data to inform how we take our business and our resources forward. Our desire is to sharpen decision making in unpredictable contexts both internally and externally in order to create impact at the point of care.

# **PRIORITY 4: Evolution and Expansion**

# (innovation for the future)

The information (knowledge/evidence) economy is now well established and continues to grow at a staggering rate. This means that there are significant opportunities and potential for expansion and JBI is seeking to invest for growth, following a considerable but important period of consolidation. We have a focussed and scalable business model that is agile and ready to respond to end user needs. We are in a strong position to innovate and to create new, imaginative, dynamic resources that add value to key stakeholders working across the evidence-based healthcare community.

IBI is an organisation focussed on growth with a renewed focus on creativity and innovation (for products, processes and systems) in order to ensure we continue to be responsive and competitive.

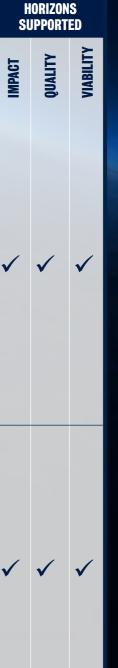
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# **10 WAYS WE WILL WIN**

- 1. Engaging with key strategic stakeholders
- 2. Exchanging ideas with cognate partners
- **3.** Evaluating our business and the quality of our resources
- 4. Expanding our work with disadvantaged communities
- 5. Escalating our content and IT development activity
- 6. Extending our scholarly/ methodological work
- 7. Enhancing our international profile
- 8. Exploring new opportunities to promote and support EBHC
- 9. Establishing ourselves as the number one EBHC provider
- 10. Evolving our business for new horizons

# LONG TERM OUTCOME

Better evidence for better outcomes and a brighter future for communities globally.

**OUR VISION OF BETTER EVIDENCE. BETTER OUTCOMES AND BRIGHTER FUTURE (FOR EVERYONE) IS OUR DRIVING FORCE** 

# **BRIGHTER FUTURE**

**"JUST AS THE GLOBAL EVIDENCE COMMUNITY MUST CONTINUE TO EVOLVE TO REMAIN AT THE FOREFRONT OF VARYING AND DISPARATE GLOBAL** HEALTH NEEDS, WE NEEDED TO RE-**EXAMINE OUR PURPOSE AND HOW** WE CAN DELIVER NEW VALUE IN THE WORLD OF EVIDENCE-BASED **HEALTHCARE, WHERE AGILITY AND DIGITAL EVOLUTION ARE SYNONYMOUS** WITH INNOVATION." Prof Zoe Jordan

Renaming the Joanna Briggs Institute to **JBI** in recognition of how the organisation is known internationally today

**Refreshing** and strengthening JBI's logo in recognition of JBI's new streamlined and agile business operations

Reinventing JBI's website, complete with new URL, jbi.global, to reflect JBI's new visual identity

**Renewing** the partnership with international publisher Wolters Kluwer Health, with the signing of a five-year commercial contract

**Refocusing JBI's two international journals and** launching each with a new name, new look and new scope: JBI Evidence Synthesis and JBI **Evidence Implementation** 

**Re-engineering JBI's software to conduct** systematic reviews, JBI SUMARI, for enhanced efficiency and flexibility, and to enable individual subscriptions

Rebuilding JBI's software, JBI PACES, to conduct clinical audits

**Reinvigorating the JBI EBP Database and** redesigning JBI's evidence-based point-of-care resources to improve end-user experience

IBI's rebrand in 2020 was a transformation that went beyond the cosmetic, driven by JBI's new vision of a Brighter Future.



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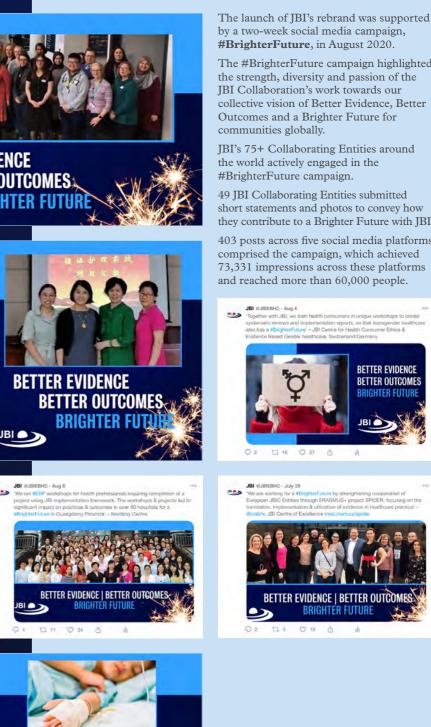


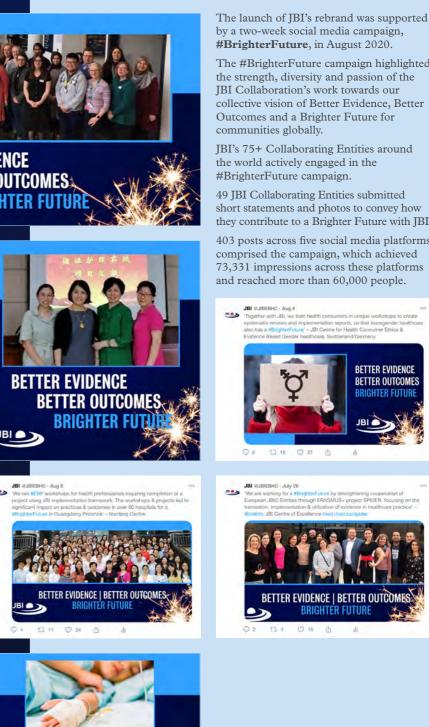


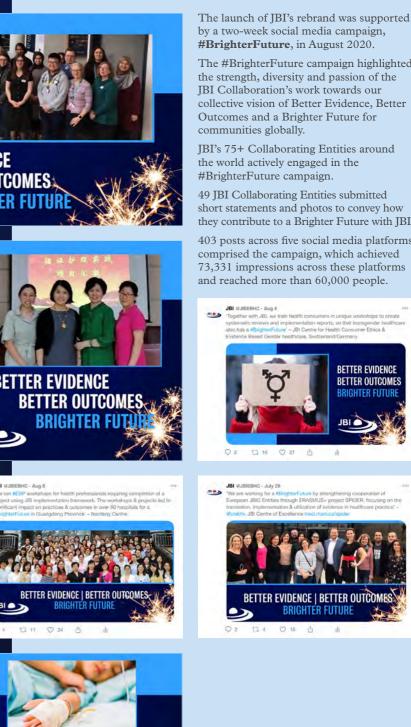


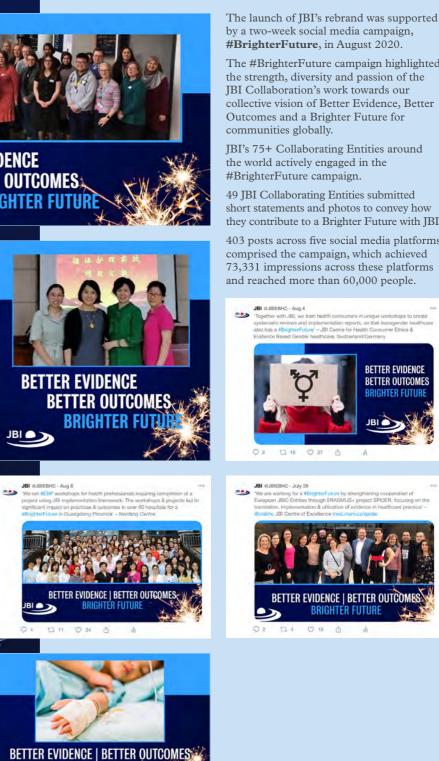












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# **EBP RESOURCES**

JBI has developed a collection of worldclass resources driven by the needs of health professionals and consumers worldwide. Through JBI's partnership with international publishing house Wolters Kluwer Health, JBI evidence-based resources are in one easy-to-use online location.

# **COVID-19 SPECIAL COLLECTION**

of care.

The COVID-19 Special Collection, launched in March 2020, summarises current best evidence and provides detailed recommendations for practice. The core focus of the Collection is on infection prevention and control measures for organisations and individuals.

Point-of-care resources were disseminated to health professionals, policymakers and decision-makers locally and globally via JBI's commercial partner Wolters Kluwer Health, as well as JBI's 75 collaborating healthcare and university partners in 36 countries.









# In response to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, JBI released new evidence-based recommendations to inform and guide healthcare decision-making at the point



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The Collection and its contents were translated into Mandarin to increase accessibility of the evidence-based information for point-of-care use by health professionals and healthcare organisations.

From 27 March to 31 December 2020, the COVID-19 Special Collection attracted:

- 879,366 page visits - 23,998 downloads

The COVID-19 Special Collection includes rapid reviews produced by the Queen's Collaboration of HealthCare Quality: A JBI Centre of Excellence in Canada.

# JBI EBP DATABASE

Providing access to JBI evidence-based resources in clinical settings enables organizations to seamlessly integrate evidence-based practice and empowers clinical staff to close the quality and safety gap by using the latest evidence in clinical decision making.

#### The JBI EBP Database is an online resource that includes high-quality, relevant, up-to-date evidence-based information and guidance for health professionals to inform decisions made at the point of care. It is ranked equal first with UpToDate, and above BMJ Best Practice, DynaMed and 14 others for:

- Quality and reliability of editorial processes
- Evidence-based content development methodology.

# Content

Covering a wide range of medical, nursing, and allied health specialities, the JBI EBP Database provides more than 5000 resources for evidence-based practice, which are analysed and appraised by global expert reviewers.

Twenty speciality areas are covered, with topics selected by international clinical review committees who recommend key priority topics to ensure impact on practice.

Content is updated every 12 to 18 months (earlier if the topic has an active field of research) following JBI's rigorous methodology and editorial processes.

## 🐃 BEST PRACTICE

# Languages other than English



In 2020, JBI introduced Best Practice Information Sheets that are translated into six languages other than English: Hebrew, Turkish, Italian, French, Spanish and Portuguese. This new program of work is aimed at creating market awareness in regions with low-level dissemination or awareness of JBI, or where resource access is currently low.



program.

Database

# **JBI EBP Database Editorial Office**

The online JBI EBP Database Editorial Office was developed in 2020 and released on IBI's global wiki site.

The comprehensive resource lists the groups and entities involved in producing and updating content for the JBI EBP Database, and includes JBI methodological guidance, as well as templates and resources for content management and development. Applications to join Expert Reference Groups and to become Scientific Writers or Field Collaborators are submitted via the online JBI EBP Database Editorial Office.



# **BECOME A JBI** JBI

# **JBIEBP DATABASE**

New EBP resources developed in 2020	Total EBP resources, end 2020
Evidence Summaries: 289	Evidence Summaries: 3855
Recommended Practice: 7	Recommended Practice: 812
Best Practice Information Sheets: 12	Best Practice Information Sheets: 35
	Audit Criteria/Quality indicators: 520

# **Scientific Writer Program**

A sustained social media campaign led to interest from around the world to join the Scientific Writer Program and resulted in 30 new writers applying to join the

In 2020, a total of 54 registered Scientific Writers updated Evidence Summaries following a rigorous methodological process prior to publication in the JBI EBP



5000+

**RESOURCES PROVIDED BY** JBI EBP DATABASE

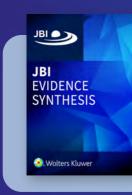
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NEW EVIDENCE **SUMMARIES** 

54

REGISTERED **SCIENTIFIC WRITERS** 

# **JBI EVIDENCE SYNTHESIS**



**"JBI Evidence Synthesis a refereed, online** iournal that publishes systematic and scoping reviews and protocols of healthcare research following JBI methodology."

Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris Editor in Chief











The JBI Database of Systematic Reviews and Implementation Reports was relaunched with a new name, new look and new scope in January 2020.

The change of name to *JBI Evidence* Synthesis better reflects the scope of the journal and better supports JBI's synthesis science program. It also reflects the refocus of JBI's strategic work towards the Vision: Better evidence. Better outcomes. Brighter future.

In line with its new focus, *FBI Evidence* Synthesis published its first 'methodology' special issue in Volume 18, Issue 10, 2020. This issue presented some of the latest innovations in JBI in systematic review methodology.

Other special issues, each presented by international co-guest editors, included an issue on "Discharge planning", Volume 18, Issue 2 and also "Aged care" Volume 18, Issue 4.

# Key metrics from the journal platform

**2020 visits = 384,576** (up from 245,132 in 2019; a 56.9% increase)

189,820 in 2019; a 56% increase)

(up from 146,076 in 2019; a 70% increase).

### Submissions

The journal continued to gain international appeal in 2020. Authors from 49 countries submitted to the journal, an increase from 39 countries in 2019. Overall, there was a 33%

# **Total Submissions Submissions Accept Submissions Rejecte** Acceptance Rate

### **COVID-19 Collection**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, JBI Evidence Synthesis released a collection of free access systematic reviews relevant to the challenges posed by COVID-19.

The collection includes systematic reviews that focus on infection control, as well as supporting clinician wellbeing and offering strategies to manage fatigue, moral decision-making, grief and aggressive patients. Content also extends to systematic reviews that address strategies to help people better cope in isolation, manage their own health, and maintain psychological well-being.

**'The review** provides important insights into the subjective needs of persons with mental illness who undertake outdoor nature based TR."

**Caroline Pictor** 



- 2020 unique visitors = 286,653 (up from
- 2020 full text views to articles = 248,499
- increase in submissions from 2019 to 2020.

	2020	2019
	617	476
ed	161	191
ed	341	189
	32%	50%



## **EDITOR'S CHOICE 2020**

- Updated methodological guidance for the conduct of scoping reviews Peters, Micah D.J.; Marnie, Casey; Tricco, Andrea C.; Pollock, Danielle; Munn, Zachary; Alexander, Lyndsay; McInerney, Patricia; Godfrey, Christina M.; Khalil, Hanan
- Methodological guidance for the conduct of mixed methods systematic reviews Stern, Cindy; Lizarondo, Lucylynn; Carrier, Judith; Godfrey, Christina; Rieger, Kendra; Salmond, Susan; Apóstolo, João; Kirkpatrick, Pamela; Loveday, Heather
- Methodological quality of case series studies: an introduction to the JBI critical appraisal tool Munn, Zachary; Barker, Timothy Hugh; Moola, Sandeep; Tufanaru, Catalin; Stern, Cindy; McArthur, Alexa; Stephenson, Matthew; Aromataris, Edoardo
- Intermittent fasting interventions for treatment of overweight and obesity in adults: a systematic review and metaanalysis
- Harris, Leanne; Hamilton, Sharon; Azevedo, Liane B.; Olajide, Joan; De Brún, Caroline; Waller, Gillian; Whittaker, Vicki; Sharp, Tracey; Lean, Mike; Hankey, Catherine; Ells, Louisa
- Effectiveness of vibratory stimulation on needle-related procedural pain in children: a systematic review Ueki, Shingo; Yamagami, Yuki; Makimoto, Kiyoko
- Interventions including a nutrition component aimed at managing gestational weight gain or postpartum weight retention: a systematic review and meta-analysis Vincze, Lisa; Rollo, Megan; Hutchesson, Melinda; Hauck, Yvonne; MacDonald-Wicks, Lesley; Wood, Lisa; Callister, Robin; Collins, Clare
- New parents' experiences of postpartum depression: a systematic review of qualitative evidence Holopainen, Arja; Hakulinen, Tuovi

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**"JBI Evidence Implementation Is** a refereed. online journal that focuses on evidence for implementation and closing the evidenceto-practice gap in healthcare."

**Assoc Prof Craig** Lockwood. Co-Editor in Chief

Hanan Khalil, Co-Editor in Chief







The former International Journal of Evidence-Based Healthcare underwent a dramatic transformation to become JBI Evidence Implementation.



The new-name, new-look journal was launched in September 2020, with a refined scope. The re-branded journal focuses on evidence implementation and includes aspects of context analysis, facilitation and evaluation from diverse methodological perspectives, such as feasibility, appropriateness, meaningfulness and effectiveness (FAME). In 2020, the journal's impact factor was measured at 1.930.

## Key metrics from the journal platform

2020 page views = 140,991 (up from 102,384 in 2019; a 37.7% increase)

**2020 visits = 99,643** (up from 70,356 in 2019; a 41.6% increase)

**2020 visitors = 79,096** (up from 57,553 in 2019; a 37.4% increase)

# Submissions

In 2020 the journal drew a 29% increase in submissions

	2020	2019
<b>Fotal Submissions</b>	179	138
Submissions Accepted	58	56
Submissions Rejected	108	70
Acceptance Rate	33%	44%

### **Knowledge Translation Resources**

As part of the journal's transformation, a new podcast and video series were created and made accessible via the journal's website. Both series provide commentary by authors and peer reviewers on current articles published in the journal.

### Twitter

The journal's Twitter account was revitalised, publishing content relating to evidence implementation. The aim of the Twitter account is to disseminate *FBI Evidence Implementation* content and increase readership of the journal. In 2020, follower numbers increased ten-fold.



# **EDITOR'S CHOICE 2020**

 Completeness of intervention reporting in neurology randomized controlled trials: a retrospective, cross-sectional study Roberts, William; Beavers, Craig;

Jellison, Samuel; Vassar, Matt

- Patients' and physicians' perspectives and experiences on the quality of medical consultations: a qualitative study Bahadori, Mohammadkarim; Yaghoubi, Maryam; Haghgoshyie, Elaheh; Ghasemi, Matina; Hasanpoor, Edris
- Relationships between workload perception, burnout, and intent to leave among medical-surgical nurses Phillips, Carswella
- An evaluation of a training intervention to support the use of evidence in healthcare commissioning in England Sabey, Abigail
- JBI Evidence Implementation as the myelin sheath to the action potential of implementation science

Lockwood, Craig; Khalil, Hanan

- Nursing documentation for chemotherapy in a university hospital's bone marrow transplant unit: a best practice implementation project dos Santos, Kelli Borges; Campos, Caroline; de São José Perrone, Ana Carolina Amaral; de Araújo Silva Vieira, Camila; Coelho, Davi Pereira; Hallack-Neto, Abrahão Elias; Lockwood, Craig; de Araújo Püschel, Vilanice Alves
- Reducing adverse medication events in mental health: Australian National Survey Gadzhanova, Svetla; Roughead, Elizabeth; Lowy, Helen; O'Connor, Daniel



JBI's organisation-wide IT redevelopment project is designed to ensure an efficient IT ecosystem across applications and systems.

JBI's organisation-wide IT redevelopment project (encompassing reporting, administration, single sign-on, marketing and sales, Project JBI Evolve) is designed to ensure an efficient IT ecosystem with integrated systems and semantic data allowing sharing of data across applications and systems.

# **Project JBI Evolve**

Significant progress was made on Project JBI Evolve, which is designed to:

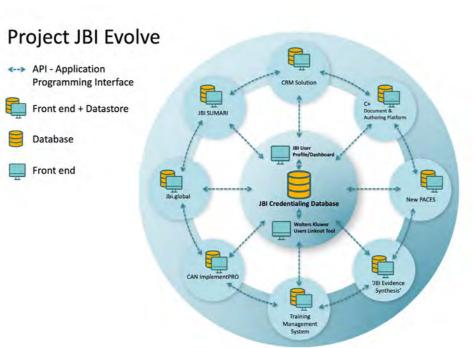
- reduce manual effort
- enable accurate tracking and collection of data
- centralise all data into one up-to-date, accurate repository
- create single sign-on and central JBI accounts for all users (customers, staff, JBI Collaboration members etc)
- enhance JBI's reputation with stakeholders as a developer of state-ofthe-art technology.

# **MYJBI**

In 2020, JBI launched the first release of the JBI single sign-on and eventual membership platform, MYJBI. MYJBI was released in 2020 to facilitate individual sales and subscriptions to JBI SUMARI.

# **JBICOnNECT+**

In 2020, work on the initial release of the new JBI COnNECT+ (Clinical Online Network of Evidence for Care and Therapeutics) was completed. JBI COnNECT+ is a web-based facility that provides users with resources and tools to search, appraise, summarise, embed, utilise and evaluate evidence-based information. The new system replaces the previous system, which was retired in 2020, and is designed to facilitate more efficient creation and publication of JBI point-of-care documents.



# **JBISUMARI**

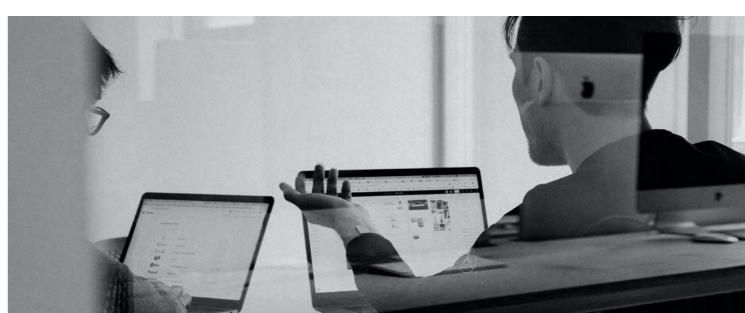
IBI SUMARI (System for the Unified Management, Assessment and Review of Information) streamlines the entire systematic review process, from protocol to report.

In 2020, significant improvements and new features were introduced, in addition to the ability to offer and process individual subscriptions to JBI SUMARI, and the opening of a payment gateway for individual subscriptions.

These improvements included:

• Added support for .RIS file types and improved support for .XML file types: JBI SUMARI can accept study citation details that have been exported and saved as both .RIS and .XML file types. This allows users to export the results of their search directly from the database straight into JBI SUMARI.

- Added ability to display the abstract of studies imported to JBI SUMARI: The abstracts of imported studies can now be viewed in JBI SUMARI, facilitating the screening process for users.
- Improved formatting of forest plots: The forest plots generated for both comparative and proportional metaanalyses underwent a major overhaul to improve the look, feel and readability of the results presented. These changes included improved scaling, appropriate sizing of study weights and appearance of the numeric results.
- JBI SUMARI is the only software that supports 10 different types of reviews, and provides tools such as the report builder with its in-built citation management and automatic generation of appendices, and superior user interface that supports three different types of data synthesis, making meta-analysis and qualitative synthesis simple.



# **JBIPACES**

**IBI PACES** (Practical Application of Clinical Evidence System) is fully integrated with the IBI EBP Database and is one of the only applications that facilitates simple, flexible quality improvement and evidence implementation projects, in addition to other types of primary research.

JBI PACES was completely rebuilt in 2020 with new features and capabilities ensuring it is intuitive, more flexible and customisable.

The new features released in 2020 include the ability to:

- modify or create individual outcome measurements, quality indicators and audit criteria
- export data into a variety of formats
- customise the presentation of reports and run multiple analyses.

JBI aims for an internal release of JBI PACES by the middle of 2021, with a commercial release via Wolters Kluwer shortly thereafter.

# GLOBAL REACH

THE JBIC HARNESSES THE DIVERSE STRENGTH **OF ITS MEMBERS ... EMPOWERING THEM TO WORK** TOGETHER, COMMUNICATE AND SHARE KNOWLEDGE



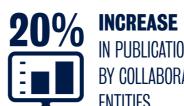




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# **JBI COLLABORATION**

JBI's global collaborative evidence network, the JBI Collaboration (JBIC), spans 70+ universities, hospitals, health facilities and NGOs in 38 countries who each lead evidence-based initiatives in their community or region, directed by the knowledge needs of local clinicians and consumers. The JBIC consists of JBI Centres of Excellence and Affiliated Groups that are driven by a unified purpose to contribute to improvements in the quality and outcomes of healthcare globally through the delivery of high-quality programs of evidence synthesis, transfer and implementation. The JBIC harnesses the diverse strength of its members to benefit and connect members in new and innovative ways, empowering them to work together, communicate and share knowledge, while leveraging existing resources to tackle large and complex problems in healthcare globally using JBI's approach to evidence-based healthcare.



IN PUBLICATIONS BY COLLABORATING **ENTITIES** 

For members of the JBIC, 2020 was a particularly challenging year, with most needing to pivot their focus to address the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, including the development and implementation of evidence-based methods, strategies and approaches to COVID-19. Despite the setbacks and challenges throughout the year, there was a surge in activity from most Collaborating Entities as they worked to meet the needs of their local communities, including a 20% increase in the number of JBI systematic reviews and JBI implementation reports published.

As a global collaboration, the JBIC maintained its strength and its willingness to share and collaborate with colleagues from around the world in the promotion and support of evidence-based healthcare.

We welcomed six new Affiliated Groups in 2020 from Ethiopia, PR China, Romania, Switzerland/Germany and the USA to the JBIC. We are proud to acknowledge 38 Centres of Excellence and 39 Affiliated Groups as a part of the global JBI family. It was with deep regret that the JBI Colloquium in Shanghai was cancelled due to COVID-19, however, the 64th JBIC Meeting was held virtually in November for the first time, where we met with 117 JBIC Directors, Convenors, Deputies and Staff across three days and five regions to plan the way forward for

**NEW GROUPS** 

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CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE



AFFILIATED GROUPS

# **AFRICA**



# **Africa Entities**

Cameroon	Yaounde Bamenda
Ethiopia	. Addis Ababa Jimma
Ghana	Kintampo
Кепуа	Nairobi
South Africa	Johannesburg

## **Regional JBIC Activity Matrix Outputs**

• Trained 151 participants in JBI's Comprehensive Systematic Review Program and 31 participants in JBI's Evidence-Based Clinical Fellowship Program

- Two JBI systematic reviews were accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis*
- Three Implementation Reports accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis* and *JBI Evidence Implementation*
- Mentored three prospective JBI Collaborating Entities in three countries
- Contributed to five JBI Methodology Groups

## **JBI African Regional Chair**

Dr Yeetey Enuameh, The Kintampo Health Research Centre, Africa.











# **AMERICAS**



# **ENTITIES**





# The JBI Americas region consists of 17 JBI Centres of Excellence and Affiliated Groups in seven countries.

Brazil . . . . . . . . . . . . São Paulo Canada . . . . . . . . . . . Halifax, NS Kingston, ON Saint John, NB St. John's, NL Victoria, BC

Costa Rica . . . . . . . . . . . . San José Peru/Colombia/Chile . . . . . . Lima Fort Worth, TX Hammond, IN Henderson, NV Jackson, MS New Orleans, LA Newark, NJ San Francisco, CA Stanford, CA

## **Regional JBIC Activity Matrix Outputs**

- Trained 243 participants in JBI's Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program and four participants in JBI's Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program
- 14 JBI systematic reviews were accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis*
- Three JBI implementation reports were accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence* Synthesis and JBI Evidence Implementation
- Mentored four JBI Affiliated Groups and prospective JBI Collaborating Entities in two countries
- Contributed to 10 JBI Methodology Groups

### **JBI Americas Regional Chair**

Dr Marsha Bennett, The Louisiana Centre for Promotion of Optimal Health Outcomes, Canada.



ASIA



COLLABORATING **ENTITIES** 

# The JBI Asia region consists of 22 JBI Centres of Excellence and Affiliated Groups in eight countries.

### **Asia Entities**

Taiwan

India	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Andhra Pradesh Gujarat Kerala
Japan									Chiba Osaka Otamae Hyogo
Korea									Seoul
Myanmar									Yangon
PR China									Beijing x2 Changsha Guangdong Guangzhou x2 Qingdao
									Shanghai x2
Singapore									Singapore x2

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Thailand . . . . . . . . . Chiang Mai

• Trained 259 participants in JBI's Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program and 50 in JBI's Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program

**Regional JBIC Activity Matrix Outputs** 

• One JBI systematic review was accepted for publication in JBI Evidence Synthesis

• 15 JBI implementation reports accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis* and *JBI Evidence Implementation* 

• Contributed to three JBI Methodology Groups

# **JBI Asia Regional Chair**

Prof Hu Yan, Fudan University Centre for Evidence-based Nursing, PR China.













# AUSTRALASIA



Affiliated Groups.

**Australasia Entities** Australia . . . . . . .

# The JBI Australasia region consists of eight JBI Centres of Excellence and

. . . Adelaide Alice Springs Brisbane Newcastle Perth x2 Sydney Wollongong

### **Regional JBIC Activity Matrix Outputs**

- Trained 91 participants in JBI's Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program
- Six JBI systematic reviews accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis*
- Mentored four JBI Affiliated Groups and prospective JBI Collaborating Entities in two countries
- Contributed to seven JBI Methodology Groups

# **JBI Australasia Regional Chair**

Co-Chair Dr Rick Wiechula, The Centre for Evidence-based Practice South Australia (CEPSA) and Dr Kate Kynoch, The Queensland Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery, Australia.



# EUROPE



# The JBI European region consists of 20 JBI Centres of Excellence and Affiliated Groups in 16 Countries.

### **Europe Entities**

Belgium Leuven
$Czech \ Republic  . \ . \ . \ . \ Olomouc$
Denmark Aarhus
England London Nottingham Middlesbrough Plymouth
Finland Helsinki
Iran
Ireland Dublin
Italy
Norway Ås
Portugal Coimbra
Romania Bucharest x2
Scotland Aberdeen
Spain Madrid
Switzerland Lausanne
Switzerland/Germany Luzern
Wales Cardiff

• Trained 152 participants in JBI's Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program and 11 in JBI's Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program.

**Regional JBIC Activity Matrix Outputs** 

• 11 JBI systematic reviews accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis* 

• Two JBI implementation reports accepted for publication in *JBI Evidence Synthesis* and JBI Evidence Implementation

• Mentored one prospective JBI Collaborating Entity

• Contributed to 10 JBI Methodology Groups

# **JBI European Regional Chair**

Prof Anne-Sylvie Ramelet, Bureau d'Echange des Savoirs pour des praTiques exemplaires de soins (BEST), Switzerland.











# **YEAR OF THE NURSE & MIDWIFE**

COVID-19 has seen nurses around the world do what nurses always do: step up. Nurses are at the centre of efforts to prevent, contain and manage this global health emergency. The World Health Organization dedicated 2020 as the #YearoftheNurseandMidwife to celebrate the work of nurses and midwives and remind world leaders of the critical role they play. JBI's five-week campaign was launched on World Health Day on 7 April, highlighted International Day of the Midwife on 5 May and culminated with International Nurses Day on 12 May.

Twenty-five JBI Collaborating Entities participated in the campaign to thank their teams and colleagues, with a focus on their efforts during COVID-19. Posts were in English and the preferred language of JBIC Entities, which contributed to record engagement levels across social media.

The campaign comprised almost 500 posts across four social media platforms, achieved 63,439 impressions and reached more than 50,000 people.



**THANK YOU** NURSES! Celebrating 200 years of making

a difference JBI 🦳



In recognition of 2020 as the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife, JBI led a five-week social media campaign to recognise and celebrate nurses and midwives across the globe.











JBI Endorsement is awarded to healthcare organisations that demonstrate commitment to evidencebased healthcare and an organisationalwide culture of innovation and excellence.

# **JBI ENDORSEMENT**

In 2020, Nanfang Hospital, Southern Medical University in Guangdong Province (PR China), achieved JBI Endorsed status, joining Liverpool Hospital in New South Wales (Australia); Mater Health in Queensland (Australia); Zhongshan Hospital, Fudan University in Shanghai (PR China); Lausanne University Hospital in Lausanne (Switzerland); and University Hospital of São Paulo in São Paulo (Brazil).



Expressions of interest were received from healthcare facilities in Iran, Taiwan and the USA, however, the process of seeking JBI Endorsement was delayed as these facilities focused their attention on providing healthcare services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The JBI Endorsement Unit redirected its efforts to evaluate the existing application process, criteria and standards, benefits/incentives and fees to inform substantive developments of the program. This led to the following:

- A new messaging strategy for JBI Endorsement that highlights benefits in terms of achieving robust process for quality improvement, ongoing mentoring and support for professional development, and delivery of high-quality, evidence-based healthcare
- The development of a JBI Endorsement report for existing JBI Endorsed organisations wishing to renew their Endorsement status. The report presents the findings of the assessment conducted by the JBI Endorsement Unit and highlights the milestones and achievements of the health organisation along with the recommendations of the Endorsement Unit for further evidence implementation work and quality improvement
- A comprehensive plan to expand the IBI Endorsement program by adapting a programmatic approach that targets a specific cohort of healthcare facilities and practitioners (e.g. aged care). This approach will capitalise on collaborative work and consensus-based decision-making on priority clinical areas.



DR LUCYLYNN LIZARONDO JBI Endorsement Coordinator

# **GROUPS WE WORK WITH**

In 2020, JBI played an active role in creating partnerships, collaborating with leading global organisations and leading a series of regional groups and organising committees internationally.

# **JBI Adelaide GRADE Centre**

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# CENTRE

The JBI Adelaide GRADE Centre, established in November 2016, The inaugural World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day, held on was the first GRADE centre in Australia and New Zealand and has 20 October 2020, was led by JBI in partnership with Cochrane, acted as a central hub of GRADE related research and teaching Campbell Collaboration, Institute for Evidence-Based Healthcare, in the region. In addition, it was the first GRADE Centre to be Africa Evidence Network, NICE, GIN and American College of established within the JBI Collaboration, and as such supports Physicians. The success of World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day and promotes the use of GRADE amongst this group. The centre in 2020 has secured this global event's future as an annual event. offers training in GRADE methods and contributes to the scientific **Cochrane Nursing Care Field** development of GRADE methods, focusing on promoting the use of GRADE for systematic reviews and guideline development.

The Centre's mission is to train, promote, disseminate and implement GRADE approaches within and across the systematic review and guideline development community globally. Three GRADE workshops were conducted by remote attendance for a total of 54 participants in 2020. The Centre also published a substantial and collaborative research project with the Melbourne GRADE Centre that details how GRADE has been used in recent Australian Clinical Practice Guidelines. For more information, visit https://jbi.global/grade

### **Global Evidence Summit**



Planning for the Global Evidence Summit 2021 in Prague was well underway until the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Global Organising Committee (JBI, Cochrane, GIN and the Campbell Collaboration) and host institution, the Czech National Centre for Evidence Based Healthcare and Knowledge Translation, agreed to postpone the Global Evidence Summit until 2-6 October 2023.

# **World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day**





The Cochrane Nursing Care Field (CNCF) is managed by JBI. The CNCF produces 'Cochrane Corner' (summaries of recent nursing-care-relevant Cochrane reviews) that are published regularly in the CNCF's international collaborating nursing carerelated journals.

# GIN



JBI facilitates the ANZ Regional Group of GIN. The Group established the ANZ Guideline Network in 2020, which is comprised of researchers, academics and professionals with a common interest in improving the health of Australians and New Zealanders through the development and implementation of evidence-based guidance and guidelines. JBI manages the administration of the Network, publishes quarterly newsletters and develops webinars.



# PHILANTHROPY

"The project aims to improve the capacity of healthcare practitioners working in urban, rural and remote communities in Kenya and **Cameroon**"





### Improving the capacity of healthcare professionals to stem the spread of **Covid-19 in Kenya and Cameroon**

JBI was successful in receiving a grant in July 2020 from the Dreamin Foundation to deliver the JBI Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program in Kenya and Cameroon, focused on COVID-19 infection prevention and control in primary and community healthcare settings. Both training programs began in late October 2020 and will conclude in June 2021. The project aims to improve the capacity of healthcare practitioners working in urban, rural and remote communities in Kenya and Cameroon to implement and sustain evidence-based healthcare strategies in their daily practice to stem the spread and impact of COVID-19 and improve healthcare practice and outcomes.

Twenty-four doctors, nurses, community healthcare workers and district health officers from across the two countries will undergo a six-month, work-based training program that provides participants with the knowledge and skills to lead change initiatives to implement evidence-based practice at the point of care.

Training will be delivered by Afya Research Africa (ARA): A JBI Centre of Excellence in Kenya and Effective Basic Services Africa: A JBI Affiliated Group in Cameroon. The IBI evidence-based implementation projects in both countries will focus on infection prevention and control within both health facilities and communities.







effective care to patients."





# Australia Awards in Papua New **Guinea Midwifery Reintegration: JBI Clinical Leadership Workshops**

JBI delivered its Evidence-based Clinical Leadership Workshop as part of the Australia Awards in Papua New Guinea (PNG) Midwifery Reintegration Workshop in Port Moresby 10-11 March 2020, and by remote attendance (via Zoom) on 19 and 26 November 2020. Building on from the Clinical Leadership Workshops conducted in PNG in 2019, the workshop was a tailored version of the one-day JBI Clinical Leadership Workshop presented over two days for 46 Australia Awards Midwifery Reintegration participants.

The workshops aimed to build the capacity of participants to manage, actively lead and facilitate change in their workplace, and included conflict resolution, negotiation, communication and building workplace culture based on current best practice. The workshops were structured in an interactive way, and planned to draw out experiences and examples from the participants and enable them to reflect on their context, practice and leadership abilities. There were also role-play activities to engage with conflict scenarios to develop skills in addressing conflicts and resolving issues.







The inaugural World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day, held on 20 October 2020, was founded and led by JBI in partnership with Cochrane, Campbell Collaboration, Institute for Evidence-Based Healthcare, Africa Evidence Network, NICE, GIN and American College of Physicians.

World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day and its theme, 'From Evidence to Impact', was celebrated by thousands of healthcare professionals, researchers, policymakers and decision-makers. In total, 196 organisations across 98 countries celebrated World EBHC Day in 2020.

Individuals and organisations were invited to share their experiences on how their work in evidence-based healthcare has led or contributed to impact in health research, policy, practice, guidelines or health outcomes.

Craig Lockwood, RM Who else is excited for #WorldEBHCDay !!! Share your la in the spirit early start



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Thirty-five impact stories from 20 countries were selected for publication on the World EBHC Day website. When viewed cumulatively, these stories provide a rich insight into various approaches to EBHC; what has changed and how; and the positive, contextual and challenging experiences and outcomes from our work in EBHC. Impact stories were disseminated using a variety of digital media to engage, inform and inspire.

A world of virtual events was on offer, focusing on evidence-based healthcare and the theme, 'From Evidence to Impact'. The global community of healthcare professionals, researchers, academics, policymakers and decision-makers shared their expertise, and invited debate and vigorous discussion on a multitude of topics relating to the theme via webinars, podcasts, tweetorials, Instagram and Twitter Chats, vLogs and more.

See worldebhcday.org for further information.

# **WORLD EBHC DAY**

We're celebrating World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day; in the new, socially distanced way, Our expert group meetings (now remote) are where the magic happens Say hello to just some of our experts and editorial team! ... See more







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# **EVIDENCE-BASED CLINICAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

JBI and its Collaborating Entities successfully pivoted to offer the sixmonth evidence implementation training program by remote learning in 2020.



Despite the challenges facing educators globally over the past year, JBI and the JBI Collaboration adapted rapidly and continued training efforts. JBI offered training by remote attendance, created a new online Scoping Review Workshop offered by the University of Adelaide, and developed new digital learning opportunities and resources by creating the 'Ask JBI' video series and JBI LIVE webinar series.



The six-month Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program fulfils a critical role of assisting health professionals from around the world to become effective clinical leaders in their communities by equipping them with the knowledge and skills to lead change and implement evidence into practice.

In 2020, JBI published an editorial and a full descriptive overview and evaluation of our Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program:

Editorial: Lockwood C, Stannard D, Jordan Z, Porritt K. The Joanna Briggs Institute clinical fellowship program: a gateway opportunity for evidence-based quality improvement and organizational culture change. Int J Evid Based Healthc. 2020;18(1):1-4. doi: 10.1097/ XEB.00000000000221 Full overview paper: McArthur A, Munn Z, Lizarondo L, Porritt K, Stephenson M, Stern C, Lockwood C, Moola S, Pearson A, Jordan Z. The ripple effect of evidence implementation: a descriptive evaluation of JBI's Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program. JBI Evid Implement. 2020 Dec 5;19(2):142-148. doi: 10.1097/ XEB.00000000000258. PMID: 34061050.

This is the most comprehensive article to reference for the program, also published in 2020. This is a full paper and not just an editorial and includes all staff from JBI who have been involved in teaching and leading the program.



Evidence-based Clinical Fellowship Program	Registrations 2020
JBI	12
Iran EBM Tabriz	11
PR China Fudan Shanghai	50
USA UCSF San Francisco	4
TOTAL registrations	77

# **COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEMATIC REVIEW TRAINING PROGRAM**

Despite significant challenges associated with COVID-19, total registrations in 2020 were only slightly lower than in 2019, as the demand for virtual training increased in the second half of 2020.

The Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program trains clinicians, policymakers and decision-makers in healthcare how to critically appraise research and report high-quality systematic reviews in order to provide the strongest possible evidence to inform decision-making or clinical guideline development in healthcare.

CSRTP REGISTRATIO	NS 2020	
JBI	84	Czech Republic CEBHC Br
Australia CEPSA SA	13	England EBHC London
Australia CRH NT	32	England EBHC Nottingham
Australia EBHC NSW	10	England IHSC Plymouth
Australia Nursing Midwifery QLD	4	Ethiopia EBHC Jimma
Australia Wollongong NSW	32	Finland EBHC Helsinki
Belgium BICEP Leuven	11	Ghana HR Kintampo
Brazil EBHC São Paulo	58	India PCEBP Kerala
Cameroon eBase Bamenda	16	Japan EBP Chiba
Canada Aligning Health NS	22	Japan EBP Osaka
Canada Queens Ontario	47	Japan Otemae Hyogo
Canada UNB Saint John	11	Kenya ARA Nairobi
Canada Uni Victoria BC	14	Myanmar EBHC Yangon



Brno	8	Portugal EBP Coimbra	28
	4	PR China Peking Uni BJ	96
am	30	PR China Southern Guangzhou	26
	27	Scotland EBMPP Aberdeen	25
	39	South Africa Wits JHB	41
	29	Switzerland BEST Lausanne	9
	55	Taiwan EBP Taipei	25
	17	Thailand EBHC Chiang Mai	74
	10	USA NEST New Jersey	34
	7	USA Nursing Indiana	2
	4	USA Touro Nevada	18
	16	USA TR Texas	11
	10	USA UMMC Mississippi	26
		TOTAL REGISTRATIONS 1025	



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**CSRTP** PROGRAMS







67 REGISTRATIONS FOR **SCOPING REVIEW** WORKSHOPS

**45 REGISTRATIONS FOR ONLINE SCOPING REVIEW COURSE** 

# **SCOPING REVIEW TRAINING**

In 2020, JBI released several initiatives designed to support reviewers to conduct high-quality scoping reviews following JBI methodology.

### **Scoping Review Workshop**

JBI continued to offer the Scoping Review Workshop in 2020. The one-day workshop equips participants with the knowledge and tools required to successfully plan for and undertake a scoping review. In 2020, three workshops were offered to satisfy demand. A total of 67 participants registered for the workshops in 2020.

#### **Online Scoping Review Course**

In 2020, JBI introduced an online scoping review course, 'Undertaking a scoping review', to better service participants from different time zones who are unable to spend a full day at a workshop and who may prefer to learn in an online, self-paced environment. The online course drew 45 registrations from the launch date of 29 June to the end of December 2020.





To meet the increased demand for virtual EBP training and resources, JBI developed and delivered monthly webinars and specialised video content.



JBI LIVE WEBINAR SERIES

by releasing the JBI LIVE webinar series featuring international experts who presented on topics relating to evidencebased healthcare and the Ask JBI series of short videos answering FAQs relating to evidence synthesis.

#### **JBI LIVE**



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webinar series featured special guests presenting on their areas of expertise:

- Prof Zoe Jordan: 'The role of evidencebased healthcare through a post-pandemic lens'

- Assoc Prof Andrea Tricco: 'How to conduct and report your scoping review: latest guidance'

- Assoc Prof Zachary Munn: 'Criticisms of evidence-based healthcare (past and present): a response and reflection'

- Dr Ian Graham: 'Turning tacit knowledge into explicit knowledge: the case for casebooks'

- Dr Kylie Porritt: 'Using evidence, providing clinical care: a practical approach to implementation'

- Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris: 'The JBI systematic review toolkit: diverse approaches to evidence synthesis'.

On average, more than 100 participants attended each webinar live.

YouTube attracted 4840 views to 31 December 2020.



4840 VIEWS ON YOUTUBE

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JBI extended its reach globally in 2020

Launched in June 2020, the free JBI LIVE

Recordings of JBI LIVE webinars on

## Ask JBI

Ask JBI is a series of short videos that feature JBI staff members who respond to FAQs on topics relating to evidence synthesis. The series, comprised of 12 videos, was launched on 20 October 2020 to coincide with the inaugural World Evidence-Based Healthcare Day. Topics include:

- What is intention-to-treat analysis?
- Should I conduct a scoping review or systematic review?
- What are qualitative systematic reviews?

The series attracted 1423 views in the 68 days from its release to 31 December 2020 (an average of 20 views per day).





systematic reviews

# **POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH DEGREES**

# Master of Clinical Science and Doctor of Philosophy programs

JBI offers the Master of Clinical Science (MSc) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programs. Seven new students enrolled in 2020, and eight students completed their programs.

### **Completions**

### Julia Eastway

Adult patients' experiences of using electronic personal health records for selfmanagement of chronic non-communicable disease: a qualitative systematic review

### Kenneth Lo (PhD)

The Effectiveness, Economic Cost and Adoption of Robotic Rehabilitation for Mobility and Functional Ability in Adult Stroke Patients

### Judith Lowe

The effectiveness of probiotics in the management of inflammatory arthritis

### **Michael Nganga**

Management of Full-thickness Rotator Cuff Tears in the Elderly: A Systematic Review

#### **Elsie Patterson**

Provider experiences of delivering nutrition focussed lifestyle interventions for adults with metabolic syndrome and obesity: a qualitative systematic review



### Vimal Sekkar

Effectiveness of endoscopic versus external surgical approaches in the treatment of orbital complications of rhinosinusitis: a systematic review and meta-analysis

#### Soumya

Accuracy of core needle biopsy compared to fine needle biopsy for the diagnosis of neoplasm in patients with suspected head and neck cancers: A systematic review of diagnostic test accuracy

#### **Caitlin Steffensen**

Optimisation of radiographic technique factors for direct digital radiography: a systematic review

# Achievements

Shannon Barnes, JBI PhD student, won the 2020 The University of Adelaide's 'Visualise your Thesis' competition.



# **Research School seminars**

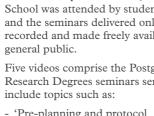
Prior to 2020, JBI Postgraduate Research Degrees seminars were delivered face-toface during an intensive week of Research School. In September 2020, Research School was attended by students remotely and the seminars delivered online were recorded and made freely available to the

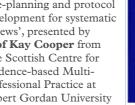
Five videos comprise the Postgraduate Research Degrees seminars series and

- 'Pre-planning and protocol development for systematic reviews', presented by Prof Kay Cooper from The Scottish Centre for Evidence-based Multiprofessional Practice at Robert Gordan University
- 'Aligning systematic review questions with different methodologies and methods', presented by Assoc Prof Edoardo Aromataris, Director Synthesis Science at JBI.

F	resenter
-	Associate Professor Edoardo     Aromataris
	<ul> <li>Director of Synthesis Science, JB1</li> </ul>
27	<ul> <li>Editor-in-Chief JBI EVIDENCE Synthesis</li> </ul>
1	<ul> <li>Speaking on topic: Aligning review questions with different methodologies and methods</li> </ul>

Recordings of the seminars were viewed 972 times in the three months since their release on YouTube to 31 December 2020.









NEW STUDENTS ENROLLED

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STUDENTS COMPLETED THEIR PROGRAMS



**RESEARCH SCHOOL** SEMINARS VIEWED ON YOUTUBE

# JBI METHODOLOGICAL PROGRAM

The JBI Scientific Committee is responsible for the development and oversight of JBI's methodologies and materials that guide the conduct of evidence synthesis, transfer and implementation.

# **JBI Scientific Committee**

The IBI Scientific Committee includes international representatives from each of the JBI Collaboration regions (see pages 24-30), as well as members from JBI in Adelaide and representatives from each of the JBI methodology groups.

Methodological groups of the JBI Scientific Committee provide ongoing guidance to the JBI Scientific Committee on the development, update, testing and review of evidence synthesis, evidence transfer and evidence implementation methodologies to be adopted by JBI and its Collaborating Entities globally. It also advises the editorsin-chief of the journals, *HI Evidence* Synthesis (see pages 18-19) and JBI Evidence Implementation (see pages 20-21).

The work of these groups also directly informs the development of, and innovations in, JBI software, including JBI SUMARI and JBI PACES (see pages 22-23), as well as the JBI education programs (see pages 38-45).

The ongoing work of the methodological groups is available in the *FBI Manual for* Evidence Synthesis and JBI Manual for Evidence Implementation.

# **2020 Highlights**

### **JBI Manual for Evidence Synthesis**

The *FBI Manual for Evidence Synthesis* (formerly the *FBI Reviewers Manual*) provides authors with a comprehensive guide to conducting JBI systematic reviews.



In 2020, the *FBI Manual for Evidence* Synthesis underwent a rebrand, revision and update. With the change in name, the online manual was assigned a new ISSN and each chapter was given a unique digital object identifier (DOI) via CrossRef to ensure accurate and complete citation tracking for all authors moving forward.

In 2020, groups from China and Switzerland signed agreements with JBI to translate chapters of the *FBI Manual* for Evidence Synthesis into Chinese and German.

# Scoping Review Network

The Scoping Review Network was launched on 29 July 2020 during the JBI LIVE webinar, 'How to conduct and report scoping review', by Assoc Prof Andrea Tricco, a member of the JBI Scoping Review Methodology Group. The purpose of the Scoping Review Network is to provide resources to improve the quality of scoping reviews, and to provide a platform for reviewers to connect with scoping review experts.

The Network grew to 300 members by the end of December 2020, and the Network's webpage had received more than 10,000 visits.



6 How to conduct and report your scoping review: latest guidance Dr Andrea Tricco 29 July, Toronto 9-10 AM (EST) 



### The JBI Manual for Evidence Implementation

The *FBI Manual for Evidence* Implementation provides an overview of JBIendorsed approaches to getting evidence into practice.

In 2020, the JBI Manual for Evidence Implementation underwent a rebrand, revision and update.



# **JBI Methodology Groups**

The JBI Methodology Groups, are made up of experts from across JBI and the JBI Collaboration who examine its methodologies for the conduct of systematic reviews of different types of evidence.









**Text & Opinion** Alexa McArthur

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# **JBI Predatory Publishing Practices** Group

JBI's Predatory Publishing Practices Group was established in 2020 to review emerging literature relating to the inclusion of studies from predatory journals in systematic reviews, to develop guidance for systematic reviewers and to conduct research into predatory publishing practices.

# JBI appraisal tools and risk of bias

Members of the JBI methodology group for reviews of effectiveness launched a project to review all of the JBI critical appraisal tools for analytical quantitative studies and refocus their use towards assessment of risk of bias and internal only, rather than other study characteristics such as reporting quality.

# **Publications**

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# **CONSULTANCY**

In 2020, JBI conducted research consultancy projects, both commissioned and collaborative.

# **Completed projects**

Title: Interventions for children on the autism spectrum: a synthesis of research evidence

Dates: May-August 2020

Commissioning organisation: Autism CRC

Investigator: Cindy Stern

Methodological guidance was provided to support the conduct of an umbrella review following the JBI approach. The review was published in November 2020.

# 5 NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS 3 CONTINUING PROJECTS 1 COMPLETED PROJECT

# **Continuing projects**

Commissioning organisation	Project title	Investigator
ANROWS (Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety)	What works to reduce and respond to violence against women: evidence synthesis, methods and communication project	Cindy Stern is a member of the Advisory Board
South African Medical Research Council and Cochrane South Africa	Contextualised strategies to increase childhood and adolescent vaccination coverage in South Africa	Janine Dizon is a team member
G-I-N Multimorbid Guidelines Group	Comparative study of guideline methodologies on multimorbidity	Janine Dizon is a team member

### **New projects**

### **NHMRC Investigator Grant**

A/Prof Zachary Munn, Director Transfer Science at JBI was awarded a National Health and Medical Research Council Investigator Grant of \$645,205 over five years to investigate and improve the quality and science of the synthesis of medical research through the development of an evidence synthesis taxonomy. This will be a comprehensive resource for health services researchers, policymakers, academics, clinicians and consumers to inform policy and practice.

### CIHR E-Covid RecMap

The COVID-19 living catalogue of guidelines collects best-available recommendations on COVID-19 for clinical, public health and health policy. It allows decision-makers to identify relevant recommendations for their question of interest. One of its primary goals is to allow contextualised local, provincial, regional and jurisdictional decision-making. Our approach is to review all globally published recommendations on COVID-19 and include all recommendations by key organisations. This eCOVID-19 living map of recommendations is funded by CIHR (FRN VR4- 172741).

### The Minderoo Foundation

There is increasing evidence on the possible risks of detrimental health outcomes due to exposure to plastics and plastic chemicals; however, there is no published document that comprehensively summarises the evidence regarding the impact of plastics and plastic chemical exposure on human health. The Minderoo Foundation commissioned JBI to conduct an overview of reviews to investigate the impact of all types of plastics on human health.

#### St Vincent's

The JBI Adelaide GRADE Centre are supporting a guideline development group to develop guidelines regarding Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation.

#### **Flinders University**

Recommendations for older adults' physical activity and sedentary behaviour during hospitalisation for an acute medical illness

### Society of Obstetric Medicine of Australia and New Zealand

The JBI Adelaide GRADE Centre are supporting a guideline development group to develop guidelines regarding hypertensive disorders of pregnancy. This is in association with the Society of Obstetric Medicine of Australia and New Zealand.













# **ORAL PRESENTATIONS** BY JBI STAFF

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Aromataris E	The JBI systematic review toolkit: diverse approaches to evidence synthesis	JBI LIVE webinar
Aromataris E	Aligning systematic review questions with different methodologies and methods	Postgraduate Research Degrees Research School Seminar, University of Adelaide
Aromataris E, Stern C	Living systematic reviews for JBI	64th JBI Collaboration Meeting
Jordan Z	Looking up before looking forward: the role of evidence- based healthcare through a post pandemic lens	JBI LIVE Webinar
Jordan Z	The JBI Collaboration: making evidence meaningful	Finland 10th Anniversary Celebration
Jordan Z, Pilla B	JBI new horizons: bigger, better, brighter	WKH Sales meeting, Scottsdale, Arizona
Lizarondo L	JBI: promoting and supporting the use of the best available evidence to inform clinical decisions	NSW Health/Clinical Information Access Portal (CIAP) Seminar
Lockwood C	Qualitative synthesis: bringing experience to action	JBI LIVE Webinar
Lockwood C	Quality and safety in the era of a Royal Commission and aged care standards	Wolters Kluwer Health webinar
McArthur A	Evidence-based practice culture and capacity building	University of Southern Queensland seminar School of Nursing and Midwifery
McArthur A	Implementing evidence into clinical practice	PNG Australia Awards webinar
McArthur A, Lizarondo L	Implementation of evidence in health: advances, challenges and perspectives	Evidence-based Practice Workshop for NSW Health/CIAP
Munn Z	COVID-19 pandemic: navigating evidence and guidance in a crisis	GIN webinar
Munn Z	Criticisms of evidence-based healthcare (past and present): a response and reflection	JBI LIVE webinar
Munn Z	The importance of registering guidelines	GIN Conference
Munn Z	Predatory publishing and systematic reviews	64th JBI Collaboration Meeting
Munn Z	Guidelines during COVID-19 and guideline registries	COVID Evidence Network to Support Decision Making Meeting
Pilla B	How JBI uses modified case stories to articulate policy and practice impacts	JBI LIVE webinar
Porritt K	Past, present and future of evidence-based health care	EAFONS 2020 23rd East Asian Forum of Nursing Scholars, Chiang Mai, Thailand
Porritt K	Using evidence, providing clinical care: a practical approach to implementation	JBI LIVE webinar

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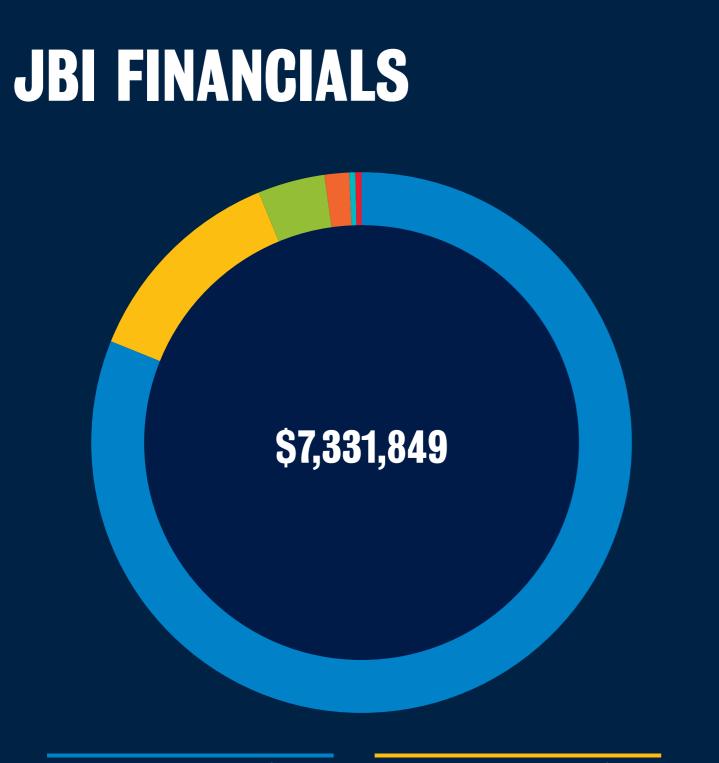
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