



Impact Case Study

Title: Assistance with conducting a systematic review and gaining full text articles about the psychometric properties of outcome measures in haemophilia.

User testimonial:

“I knew I would need some assistance with retrieving articles when we got to that point, but I had not realised how helpful it was to have them involved early on. They got involved very quickly, after I sent an email asking for some advice. It was great that this little email resulted in some really useful and productive discussions that really helped to guide the work from that point onward.

I am glad they reached out after my first email, as it definitely focussed my energy and work in the right place. Thanks for all your help!”

Physiotherapist, University Hospitals Dorset

Challenge:

The requestor was part of a research team conducting a systematic review about the psychometric properties of outcome measures in haemophilia.

Solution:

The KLS team provided multiple 1:1 discussions about good practice for conducting systematic reviews, provided assistance with developing the literature review terms, and with practical advice about use of the databases. Once the search was completed the KLS team assisted with sourcing the full-text of the articles.

Immediate and future Impact:

“The help provided by the KLS team allowed for the set-up of a robust systematic review process. Following this it enabled the full text screening to be completed (as without the assistance we would not have retrieved a good proportion of them) within the deadline.”

Once the systematic review is completed the final research will be published.

Success factors:

The KLS team can provide help from the very start of a systematic review process through to obtaining the full text of all relevant articles.

Our Lessons learnt:

Proactively responding to initial emails for help can guide our users through the full range of the KLS offer and can have a positive impact on the direction and focus of their work.

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