

# Systematic Review Methods Webinar:

## Developing a question for a qualitative evidence synthesis

Cochrane South Africa invites you to a webinar on ‘*Formulating and refining question(s) for a qualitative evidence synthesis*’. This webinar will provide an introduction to the kinds of questions qualitative evidence syntheses explore, and the iterative processes involved with formulating and refining them. These processes include problem framing, constructing preliminary frameworks or logic models, identifying potential lines of inquiry, scoping the evidence-base and employing appropriate question frameworks.

This webinar is aimed at researchers and health professionals interested in conducting systematic reviews.

- Date:** Tuesday, 9 July 2019
- Time:** 14h00 (GMT+2)
- Venue:** Online webinar – *log-in details will be emailed to those who RSVP on Monday, 8 July 2019*
- Presenters:** **Sara Cooper and Bey-Marrie Schmidt**  
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### Learning objectives:

1. To learn about the types of questions qualitative evidence syntheses explore, and how these differ from those of systematic reviews of effectiveness;
2. To understand the iterative processes involved with question development and refinement for a qualitative evidence synthesis;
3. Gain practical knowledge on how to apply question frameworks commonly used in qualitative evidence syntheses.



Sara is a medical sociologist working as a Senior Scientist at Cochrane South Africa, SAMRC and Honorary Researcher in the Division of Social & Behavioural Sciences in the School of Public Health at the University of Cape Town. Her research interests include the application and explanatory potential of social science theories and methodologies within health research, policy and practice, and how qualitative health research can be both ‘critical’ and ‘applied’, including in the emerging field of qualitative evidence synthesis. She is currently leading two Cochrane qualitative evidence syntheses, focused on factors shaping acceptance of childhood vaccination and of human papillomavirus vaccination for adolescents. Sara is on the editorial board of Critical Public Health.



Bey-Marrié Schmidt is a Senior Scientist at Cochrane South Africa, SAMRC and works on both qualitative and quantitative systematic reviews. Her academic background is in anthropology and public health (epidemiology). She is particularly interested in evidence synthesis of public health interventions that can improve clinical and health system outcomes, and knowledge translation methods that can get research evidence into policy and practice.

***Please RSVP by 12h00 on Friday, 5 July 2019 to [cochranesa@mrc.ac.za](mailto:cochranesa@mrc.ac.za)***

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