

Governing Board Paper

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<http://evidencelive.org/manifesto/>

The EBM Manifesto was produced following the Evidence 2017 meeting. The original version has been refined through a series of stakeholder engagement activities, and following feedback. The current version has nine steps.

- 1) Expand the role of patients, health professionals and policy makers in research
- 2) Increase the systematic use of existing evidence
- 3) Make research evidence relevant, replicable and accessible to end users.
- 4) Reduce questionable research practices, bias, and conflicts of interests
- 5) Ensure drug and device regulation is robust, transparent and independent
- 6) Produce better usable clinical guidelines.
- 7) Support innovation, quality improvement, and safety through the better use of real world data.
- 8) Educate professionals, policy makers and the public in evidence-based healthcare to make informed choices.
- 9) Encourage the next generation of leaders in evidence-based medicine.

As will be seen, all of the issues raised here are deeply relevant to Cochrane and we are active in all or nearly all of the areas listed. Questions could be raised about our licensing model and also our support for the use of ‘real world data’, but it seems entirely feasible to address these.