

Co-designing a Living Evidence Architecture

Workshop 1: Understanding challenges and opportunities of current systems and ideating for a future platform

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Participants

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Countries

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Key learnings

User needs for living guidelines / living evidence

- Intuitive, person-centric interfaces
- Customisable for different audiences / needs
- Integration of automation
- Interoperability with other systems
- Reliable systems with an offline option
- Transparency of methods
- 'One stop shop': everything I need is in one place and/or easily retrieved

Key learnings

Challenges of the current living guidelines / living evidence ecosystem

- Cost!!!
- Existing systems and processes:
 - Effort required to change may be substantial
 - Stakeholders may not understand pain points of current system
- Lack of consensus around "living": what does it mean, when is it necessary, how do we prioritise?
- Lack of expertise and discoverability: how do we know what's out there? Who else is working on what?

Key learnings

Opportunities for developing a global living evidence platform

- Engagement with a larger range of stakeholders to ensure varied needs can be met
- Collaboration to reduce duplication in effort
- Facilitation of translation into multiple contexts
- Specific priorities to facilitate strategic allocation of living evidence resources (e.g. prioritise specific recommendations versus entire chapter or guideline)
- Clearer communication of state of evidence (review, recommendations, updates, etc.)