



CASP meets Cochrane



Invitation for drinks, canapés & informal networking

Date: Monday 18th March 2013

Time: 18:00 – 19:30

Location: Kellogg College, 60-62 Banbury Road, Oxford, OX2 6PN

The Critical Appraisal Skills Programme International training week is in progress alongside the Cochrane Collaboration Mid Year Meeting and the UKCC and Ireland 21st Anniversary Symposium in Oxford the week beginning the 18th March. This drinks reception offers a perfect opportunity for people interested in evidence based healthcare and decision making to meet, and network.



Martin Burton Director of UKCC will provide some welcoming words, and Dr Amanda Burls will cut the Birthday cake.

Like the Cochrane Collaboration, CASP celebrates its' 20th Anniversary this year. CASP started in Oxford in 1993, building on the experience of others, most notably at McMaster University in Canada. Methods for helping people develop skills in critical appraisal of scientific research were developed, piloted and evaluated in the then Oxford Regional Health Authority. Funding was obtained from the NHS to take this work forward with Dr Ruairidh Milne as the first CASP Director. A national training programme was developed in order to help those making health care decisions to be more systematic in their appraisal of scientific evidence.

Since then the programme has continued to develop workshops and tools for critical appraisal covering a range of different types of research study, finding the evidence workshops, and interactive and e-learning resources.

The International week trainees come from a wide range of disciplines including dermatology, veterinary medicine, dental, pharmacy, information specialists and dietetics. They and the CASP team would love to meet Collaboration members and staff, and discuss shared interests.

Please email your interest in attending this event to Ruth.Brice@CASP-UK.net so we can get an idea of numbers. Many thanks.

