

Theme Groups

1. Evidence based curriculum
2. Tools for teaching
3. Teaching methods
4. Assessment tools
5. e-learning
6. Change management
7. Evidence based diagnosis



1. Evidence based curriculum

Debate

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Sicily statement on evidence-based practice

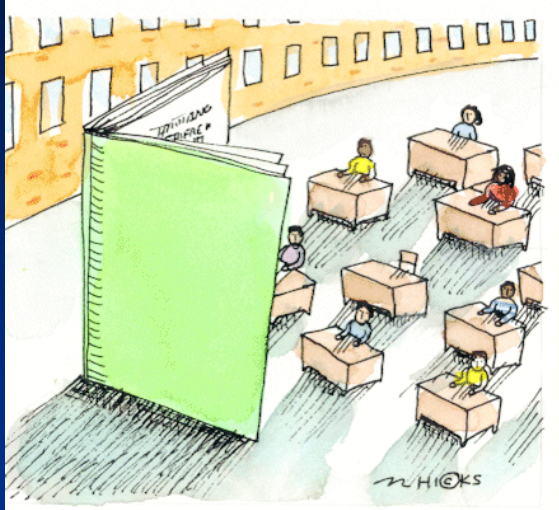
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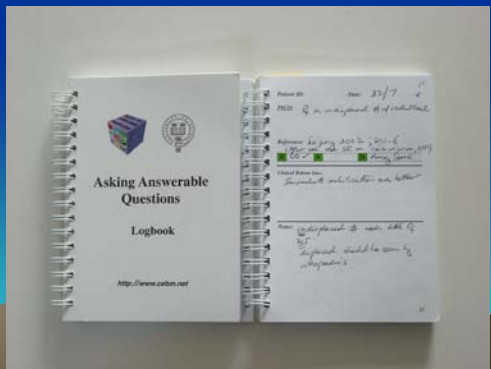
2. Teaching Tools



Name: ANSHARAD JHATH TOPIC: management of children with severe acute asthma

- The patient & clinical question
child with history of chronic asthma develops severe acute attack
- Search strategy
PubMed
search (child OR asthyma AND asthma AND oral steroids OR synergism AND inhaled steroids OR synergism)
- The study - Question (PICO) and Appraisal (RAMbo)
Identified 300 papers → CR = 21 → CR + prednisone = 13
Q = How does efficacy inhaled glucocorticoids compare to prednisolone in management of acute severe asthma in 5 yr olds in A+E
P = 100 children ≥ 5 yr with FEV₁ < 50% predicted on admission
I = bronchodilators, O₂ + 2mg/kg oral prednisolone
C = " " + 2mg inhaled glucocorticoids (8 puffs)
O = FEV₁ change as % of predicted value (D time 0) to 240min
R = computer-generated lists M(C) = double-blinded (placebo inhaler + prednisolone syrup used)
A = 2103 not included in analysis (group sim except rec (p < 0.05))
- What are the results?
In pred group: FEV₁ improvement ↑ (18.9 ± 9.8 % points v 9.4 ± 12.5%) (p < 0.001)
↓ no. excellent response (13 v 5)
↓ no. poor response (4 v 16)
rate hospitalization ↓ (31 % v 10%)
(home phase - I v c sev 7 days post-discharge due to poor participation)
- How do the results apply
Study indicates in A+E children presenting with severe acute asthma should be treated with oral pred rather than inhaled corticosteroids (+ required β₂-ag + O₂)
balance may still lie with administering oral steroids despite potential long-term side effects
study possibly showed pred benefit at ↓ acute attack recurrence but patient participation poor

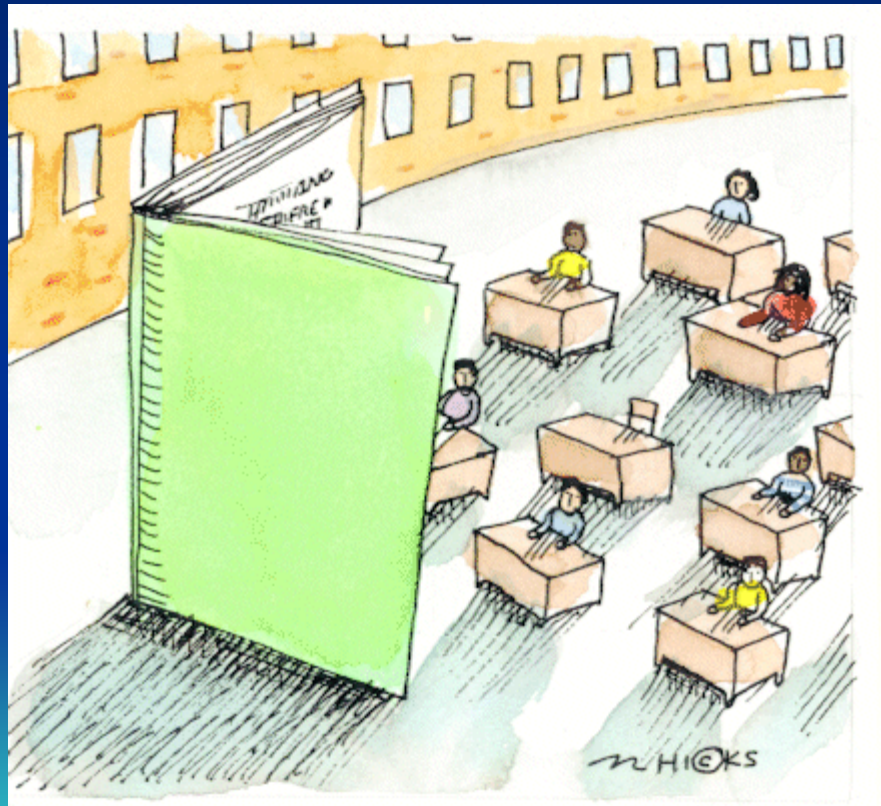
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	RRR	RD/CER	
	NNT	1/RD	
Clinical Bottom-line:			
Further actions:			



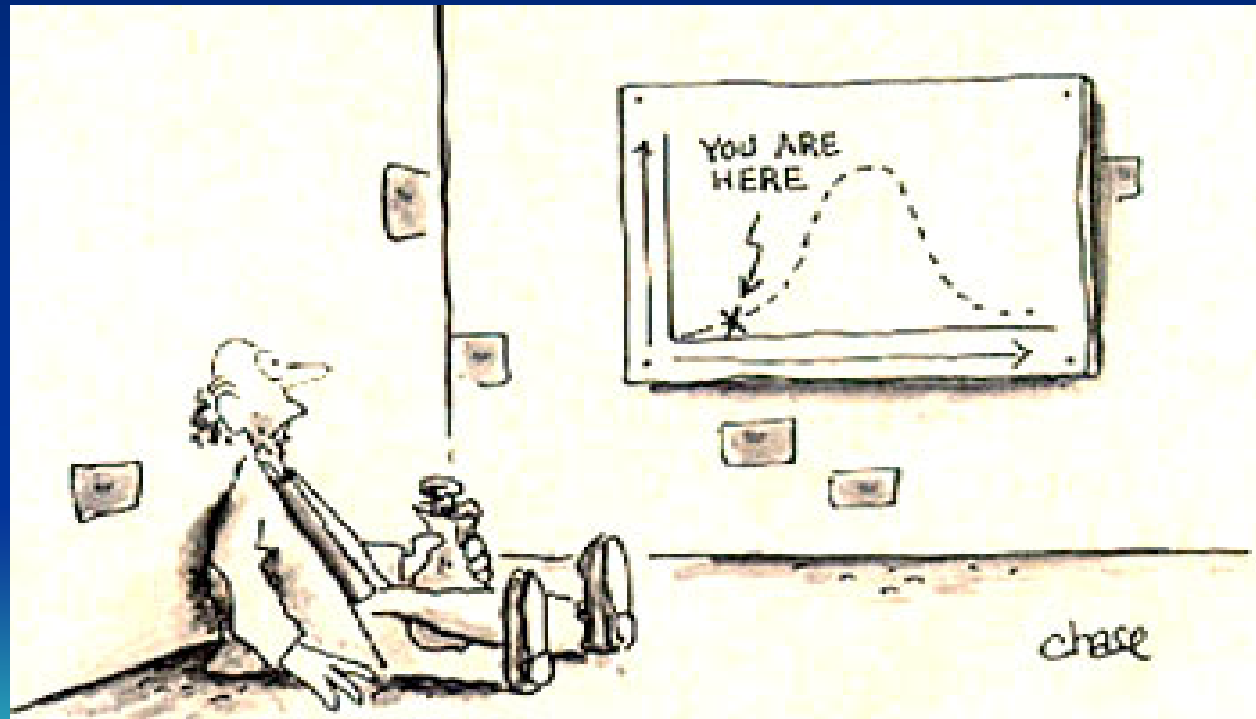
Question Logbooks

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3. Teaching methods



4. Assessment tools



5. e-learning

HAROLD'S PLANET by Swerling and Lazar

YOGA FOR PEOPLE WHO COULD NOT
BE BOTHERED TO GET OUT OF BED



6. Change Management

- Prochaska, precede proceed, ABNA
 - We have plenty of models of change but there is still a major problem - real life
- Health professionals familiarity with tests & therapies
 - We do things because they are familiar - that is how I can see 18 patients in a morning
- Patients continuity of care, trust,
 - Patients like and trust the medication they are taking. Adding to, or changing is not simple.



- New evidence about effectiveness of new tests and new therapies
 - If I did everything the drug reps, POEMs, EBM journal or even PEARLS advised my practice would be chaotic.
 - I would have all my hypertensive patients changing treatment all the time and they would all be on different drugs.
 - Then there is the harm - never start a patient on a drug that is less than 10 years old or 3 million patients.



- So how do you choose which one to undertake. What systems are there for priority checking?
 - How do you practice this when 80% of family doctors don't have computer systems.
- Priority choosing-how much change is good for you and how much is bad for you?
- Models used in emergency medicine by Eddy Lang



7. Evidence based diagnosis

