

## Advanced Search Skills Workshop

**Advanced search techniques and advanced search strategy design for  
systematic reviews, health technology assessment and guideline development**

**Bern, Switzerland**

**Wed 9 October – Fri 11 October 2019**

**Early-bird registration deadline: 5 July 2019**

**Standard registration deadline: 31 August 2019**

This three-day course will address the challenges of advanced search strategies using different conceptual approaches and search techniques. It will also introduce text analysis techniques such as text mining to demonstrate their potential for developing and testing search strategies.

### Objectives:

- Learn and apply new search techniques to improve information retrieval
- Share insights and best approaches
- Discuss variations in current best practice

### Target audience:

- Medical / healthcare librarians, information specialists, researchers, authors of systematic reviews and other professionals wishing to develop advanced search strategies

### Prerequisites:

- Experience in searching databases such as MEDLINE / PubMed
- Participants need to bring their own laptops
- Good command of English

### Contents:

The workshop includes presentations, small group and plenary discussions and interactive sessions allowing the participants to practise the concepts and methods presented during the course.

### Course faculty:

- **Julie Glanville**, Associate Director for Information Services, York Health Economics Consortium, (YHEC), University of York (UK)
- **Carol Lefebvre**, Independent Information Consultant, Oxford (UK), former Senior Information Specialist, UK Cochrane Centre (1992-2012)

**Duration:** 3 full days (9:15 am to 4:55pm)

**Venue:** Haus der Akademien  
Laupenstrasse 7  
3001 Bern, Switzerland

**Participation fee:**

- CHF 900.00 (early-bird registration up to 5 July inclusive is CHF 800.00), including course documentation and coffee breaks (excluding lunches).

**Number of participants:** up to 25

**Please note:**

Candidates will receive a participation confirmation after the early-bird registration deadline. The participation fee must be settled at least three weeks prior to the course by means of the invoice that will be sent to all candidates having received a participation confirmation. We reserve the right to cancel the course if there are too few registrations.

Any withdrawal within three weeks before the course is subject to a cancellation charge amounting to 50% of the participation fee; however, the entire fee remains due to Cochrane Switzerland in the case of a withdrawal within one week prior to the course.

**Certificate:**

A certificate of attendance will be issued to participants who complete the course.

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