



## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

**SIG/Committee Name: Child Health SIG**

**Date: 7 March 2018**

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**Board Liaison: Anne Klassen, D Phil**

**Mission:** Primary interests are to stimulate excellent child health-related quality of life research (C-HRQoL), to increase awareness among the general ISOQOL membership of the importance of early health and the potential of child health concepts and methodological practices to foster improvements in health across the lifespan. Such methods/practices include non-patient observer reports/studies; integration of data from multiple reporters: cognitive interviewing methods; adaptations of instruments for respondents with low literacy, attentional and other respondent challenges; and long-term effects of health promotion interventions.

**Number of SIG Members: 99**

**Date of SIG Meeting: 21 October 2017**

**Number of attendees at meeting: 27**

Project/Objective	Actions/Deliverables	Project Chair	Project Members	Timeline
1. Per member request provide an ongoing opportunity for early networking in the ISOQOL Annual Meetings to ensure time for ongoing conversations throughout the meeting	Based on feedback and interest from members again organized a low-cost pre-conference dinner and round table discussions. This dinner was open to local clinicians and scientists who had not previously connected with ISOQOL or other CH-SIG members. A total of 15 members registered for the dinner and 100% of these attended. As a way of welcoming some new ISOQOL members brought colleagues. This required ongoing updates, invitations and follow up sent via the CH-SIG listserv. Co-Chairs did all the organizing, contacting potential in country "hosts", selected and secured a restaurant. Co-Chairs are exploring avenues to be sure new members (especially those that are attending the conference for the first time and are interested in child-related activities) receive a personal welcome to the dinner.	All 3 co-chairs	All 3 co-chairs	July 2017 to Oct. 2017 Discussions for the Dublin meeting are ongoing and full preparations will commence late Summer through Fall 2018
2. Provide members with more information regarding colleagues' areas of interest, areas of expertise, and willingness to share knowledge to support networking.	At the 2017 ABM members asked for an update to the extensive matrix developed in 2015. The purpose of the matrix was to communicate to other CH-SIG members areas of expertise and interest as a way to foster communication and collaboration. A follow up/update to the matrix is currently in progress for both established and new CH-SIG members.	All 3 co-chairs	All Members	Spring through Fall 2018
3. Increase CH-SIG presence at the Annual Meetings	1) A few members volunteered to coordinate a child-focused symposium submission for the Dublin 2018 meeting but had to pull out for personal reasons. Individual members were encouraged to work with one another to submit a child focused symposium on their own.  2) Co-chairs have actively begun facilitating a child-focused symposium for the 2019 conference in San Diego.	All 3 co-chairs	All members	Late 2017 and ongoing 2018
4. Increase CH-SIG presence within ISOQOL	1) Encourage active participation from CH-SIG members in other SIG's especially when there is cross-over of ideas. (e.g., Co-Chair participated in discussions with I-SIG colleagues regarding the organization of a webinar re wearables with the goal of representing the child perspective).  2) If Measuring What Matters Workshop continuation is approved, CH-SIG co-Chairs plan to submit an application for a child-focused workshop	All 3 co-chairs	All members	Ongoing