

## 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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

**Date: 10 Feb. 2021**

**Co-Chairs: Holger Muehlan, Robert Arbuckle, John Chaplin**

**Board Liaison: Kirstie Haywood**

**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.

Project/Objective	Actions/Deliverables	Methods, Theory or Application Project	Project Chair	Project Members	Timeline
1. Increase presence of CH-SIG and representation of methodological challenges/issues associated with child health assessment at ISOQOL Annual Meetings	The SIG organised an on-line symposia for the 2020 conference –which was well attended Title: <b>The future of electronic Patient-Reported Outcome Measurement for children and adolescents: the use of computer adapted testing.</b>	Methods & Theory	John, Rob, Nalin, Holger,	Christiane Otto, Michiel Luijten, Kaveh Ardalan, Jin-Shei Lai, Kathrin Fischer.	Completed Oct. 2020
	Published a Letter to the Editor of QoLR – Title: <b>Registered reports and paediatric research</b> – published Dec 2020. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s11136-020-02702-3">https://doi.org/10.1007/s11136-020-02702-3</a>	Theory	John, Rob, Holger, Nalin	All members	Completed Dec 2020
	A submission for the ‘Measuring what matters’ workshop 2022 approved. Title: <b>Measuring What Matters in Child Health: Challenges, Developments and Opportunities</b>	Application	Rob, Nalin	John, Holger, Nikki Ow, Elizabeth Gibbons + Adolescent and/or parent/caregiver representative	Proposal accepted Deadline July 2022
	Submitted a proposal for a full symposium at the 2021 ISOQOL Conference– Symposium Title: <b>‘Young People in the Time of Covid’</b> . With contributions from five SIG members in Canada, Germany, Netherlands and Sweden.	Methods and Application	John, Rob, Holger, Nalin	Malin Berghammer & Margaretha Jenholt Nolbris Christiane Otto Lotte Haverman Nancy L. Young Alisha Daya & Skye Barbic	Submitted 19th Jan 2021
	Joined the joint <b>working group on Pediatric Cognitive Interviews</b> . ... together with the TCA SIG.	Methods	Monika Vance from TCA SIG	John, Holger, Jeanne Landgraf	1 March 16:00 next meeting

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2. Expanding membership and networking	<p>Conducted a <b>members meeting</b> following the Conference. Created a survey to elicit symposia ideas from the CH-SIG members.</p> <p>Number of SIG Members:        130</p>	Consolidation of membership	John, Rob, Nalin, Holger,	(approximately 50 attendees).	Completed Nov 2020
	Identified people interested in becoming a co-chair in 2021	Consolidation of membership	John, Rob, Holger, Nalin	Skye Barbic (Can) Zephania Tyack (Aus)	On going
	<p>At the SIG members meeting we discussed plans to provide a # <b>Newsletter for members</b>;</p> <p># to establish further <b>Working groups</b> on Social Media in Child Health Research; and Disparities / Inequalities in Child Health.</p> <p># <b>Mentoring group of past chairpersons.</b></p>	Consolidation of membership	<p>Holger,</p> <p>John, Rob, Holger, Nalin</p> <p>John, Rob, Holger,</p>	<p>All members</p> <p>Nalin, Jeanne, Anne-Catherine, +</p>	
3. Per member request provide an ongoing opportunity for early networking in the ISOQOL Annual Meetings to ensure time for ongoing conversations throughout the meeting	The <b>Annual pre-conference dinner</b> at the next ISOQOL mtg. in Calgary has been discussed with the membership and a member from Calgary and others from Canada have agreed to help with the organisation.	Consolidation of membership. Networking	John, Rob, Holger, Nalin	Sumedh Bele	Oct 2021

### Issues Requiring Board Attention:

- 1) Update - the SIG is working on a special issue on Child QoL in the journal Int. J. Environmental Research and Public Health. Some papers are free - if there are 10 papers then they print the issue as a book but otherwise it is on-line. The Child-SIG Chairs would act as the editors for the issue.