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WHY, HOW, and HOW DO WE KNOW?

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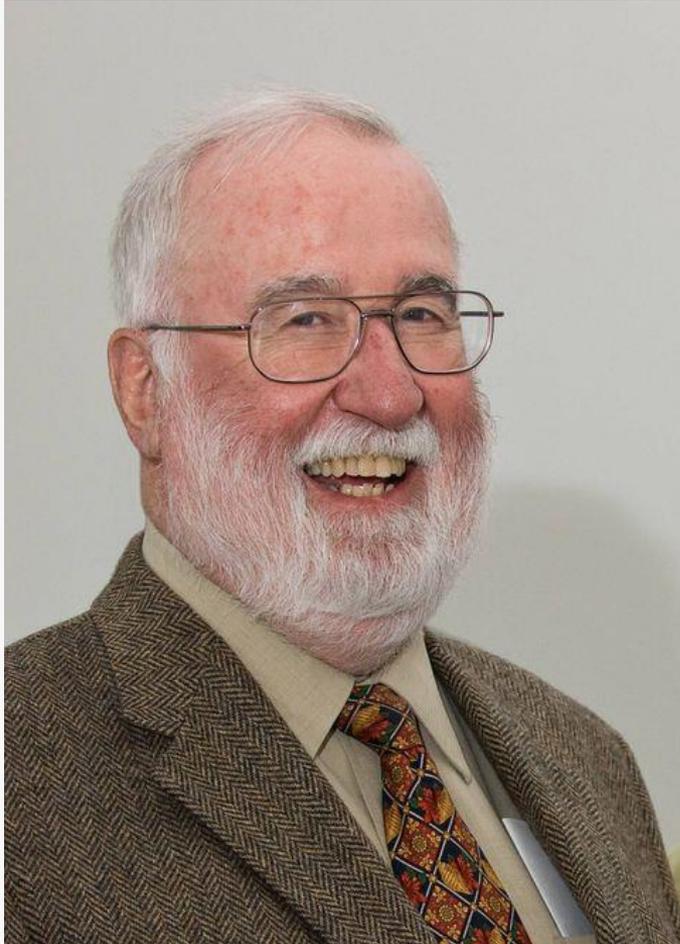
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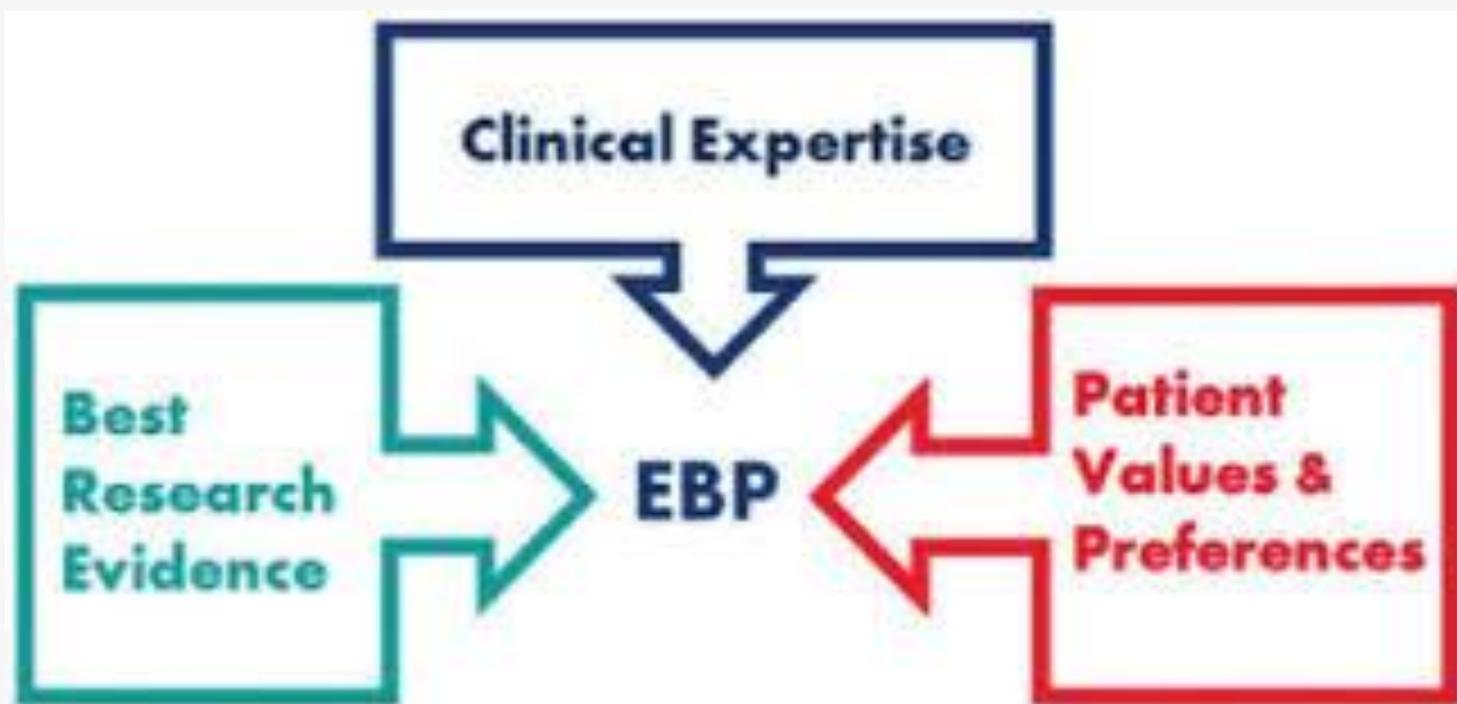




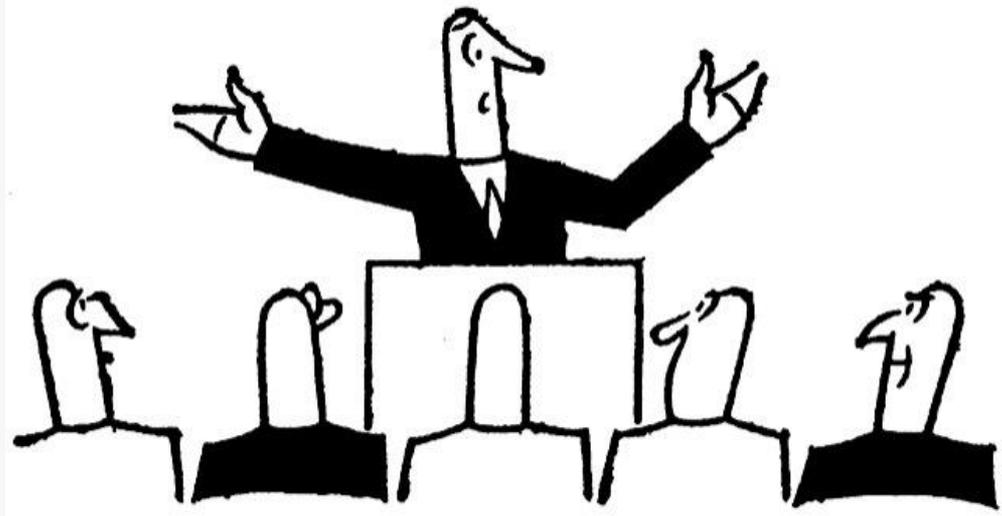


“Evidence-based medicine is the conscientious, explicit, and judicious use of current best evidence in making decisions about the care of individual patients.”

Sackett, 1996



In wider health service delivery, there has been a call for further discourse and discussion around EBP



Reframing and reconceptualising the term and process to suit the reality of what we do and our service users' experiences

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Is Evidence-Based Medicine Patient-Centered and Is Patient-Centered Care Evidence-Based?

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Are achieving evidence-based medicine (EBM) and cultural competence in medicine (CCM) contradictory goals? In some ways, EBM and CCM are complementary means to improve quality; but it can also appear that, by virtue of their methods of changing medical practice, they are fundamentally at odds. Yet each is an important area for exploration in health services research and both are evolving from marginal to mainstream considerations in changing health policy and as potential strategies to improve quality. It is, therefore, critical that we understand how and when these emerging subfields might be perceived as conflicting and when they can work together.

We begin with definitions: *Evidence-based medicine* is the conscientious, explicit, and judicious use of current best evidence, primarily from clinical trials, in making decisions about the care of individual patients. In general, the goal of EBM has been to improve quality through the standardization of medical care. Indeed, EBM has typically been implemented through clinical guidelines, protocols, or best practices, which served to standardize care in individual patients. More recently, however, efforts have been

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A Crisis in Evidence Based Medicine in Health Services?

- ❑ **Quality** of evidence
- ❑ **Volume** of evidence can be unmanageable
- ❑ **Statistically** significant versus **clinically** significance
- ❑ Care that is **management driven**, not patient centred
- ❑ Evidence based guidelines often map poorly to **complex conditions**/cases/comorbidities

(Greenhalgh, Howick, and Maskrey, 2014, p. 2, BMJ)

What is real evidence based medicine and how do we achieve it?

- ❑ Ethical **care** of patient/client = top priority
- ❑ Need for **individualised** evidence in a format that clinicians and patients can understand
- ❑ Characterised by **expert judgment** rather than mechanical rule following
- ❑ **Shares decisions** with patients/clients through meaningful conversations
- ❑ Builds on a strong clinician-patient **relationship** and the human aspects of care

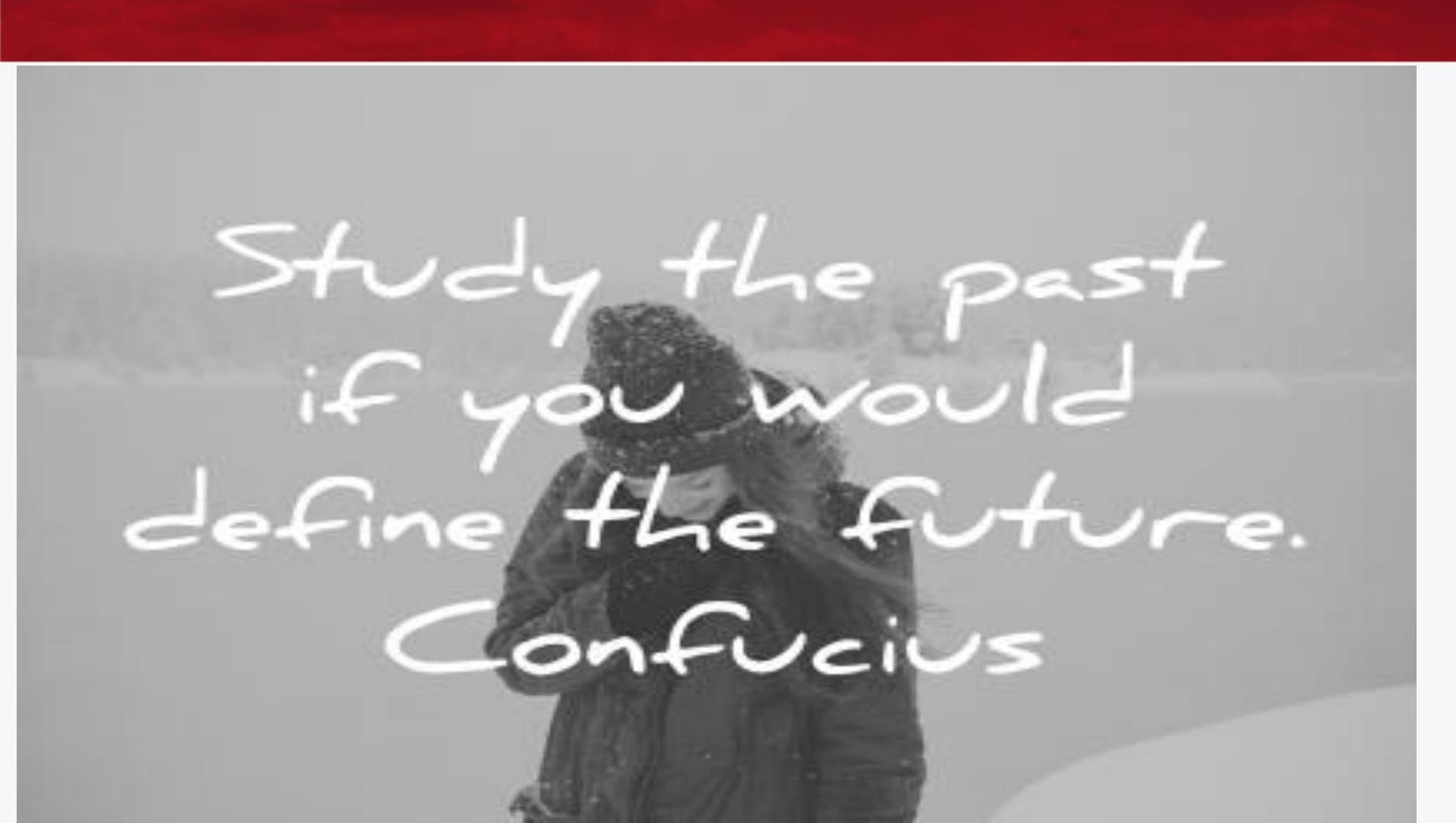
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Broader, more imaginative research is needed

- ❑ **Multidisciplinary**
- ❑ **Qualitative** focus in experiences of illness
- ❑ Gain a better understanding of how **clinicians** and **patients** find, interpret, and evaluate evidence from research studies, and how (and if) these processes feed into clinical communication...and shared decision making
- ❑ Greater consideration of **behaviour change**

- ❑ Understand the importance of **practice evidence** and pragmatic constraints
- ❑ Discussion on how to interpret and **apply evidence to real cases**
- ❑ Consider how best to produce **expert clinicians** and **expert patients**
- ❑ **Challenge**, interrogate data and be **curious**. Look for the red flags
- ❑ **INNOVATE**

Greenhalgh, Howick, and Maskrey, 2014

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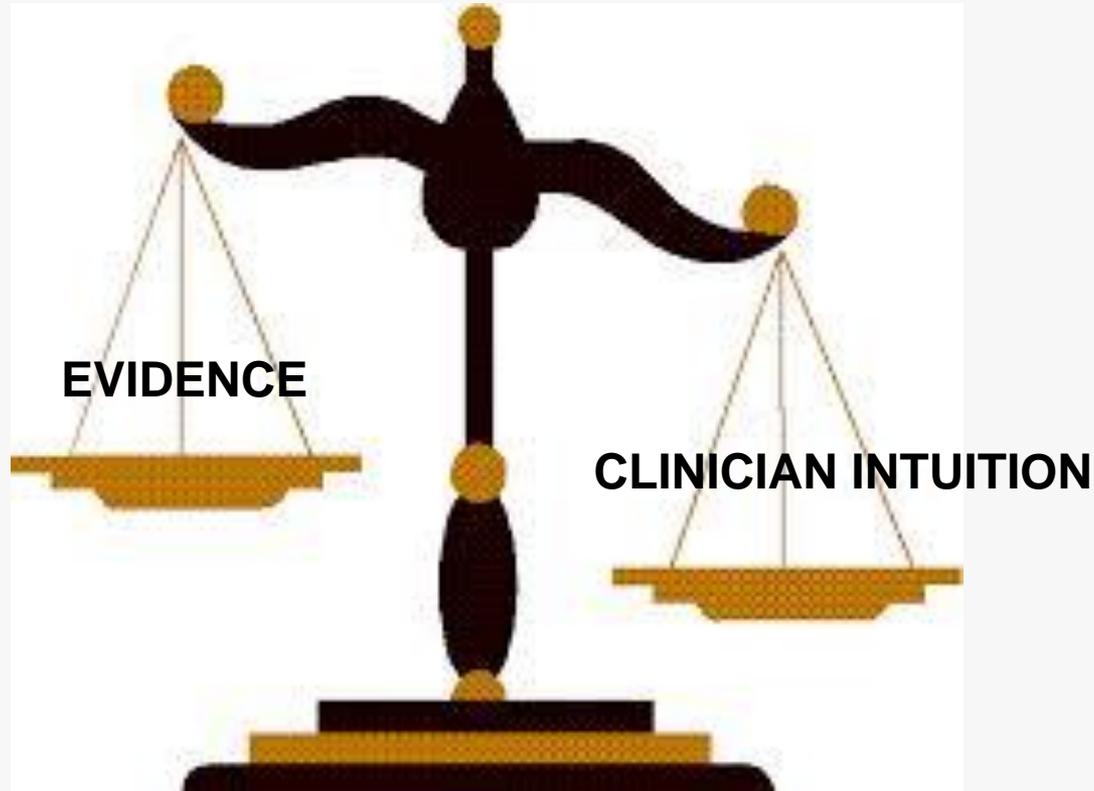
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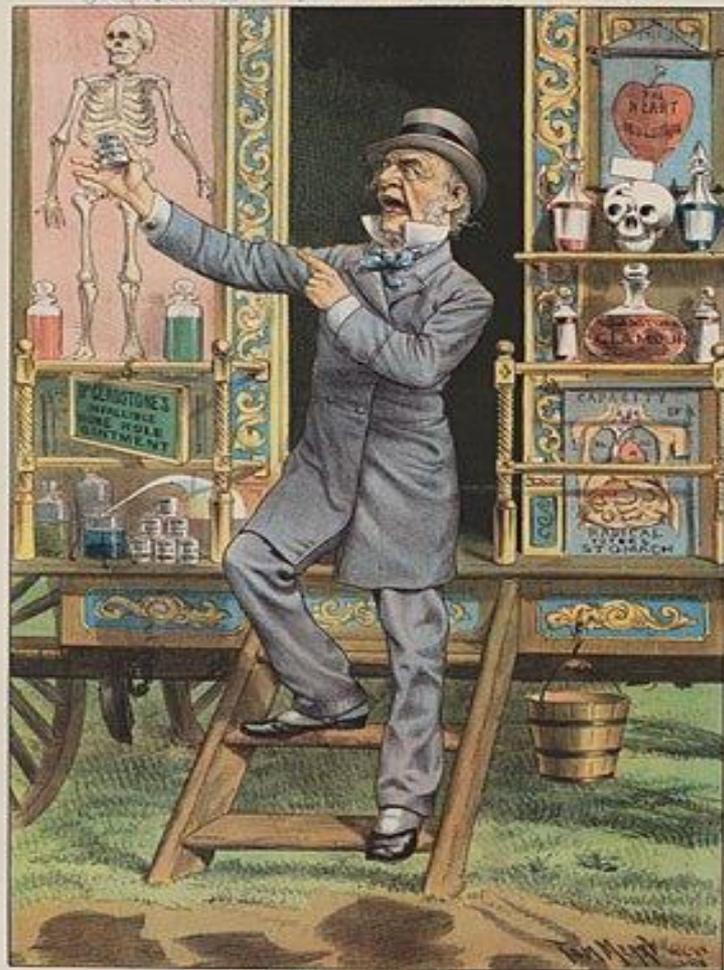




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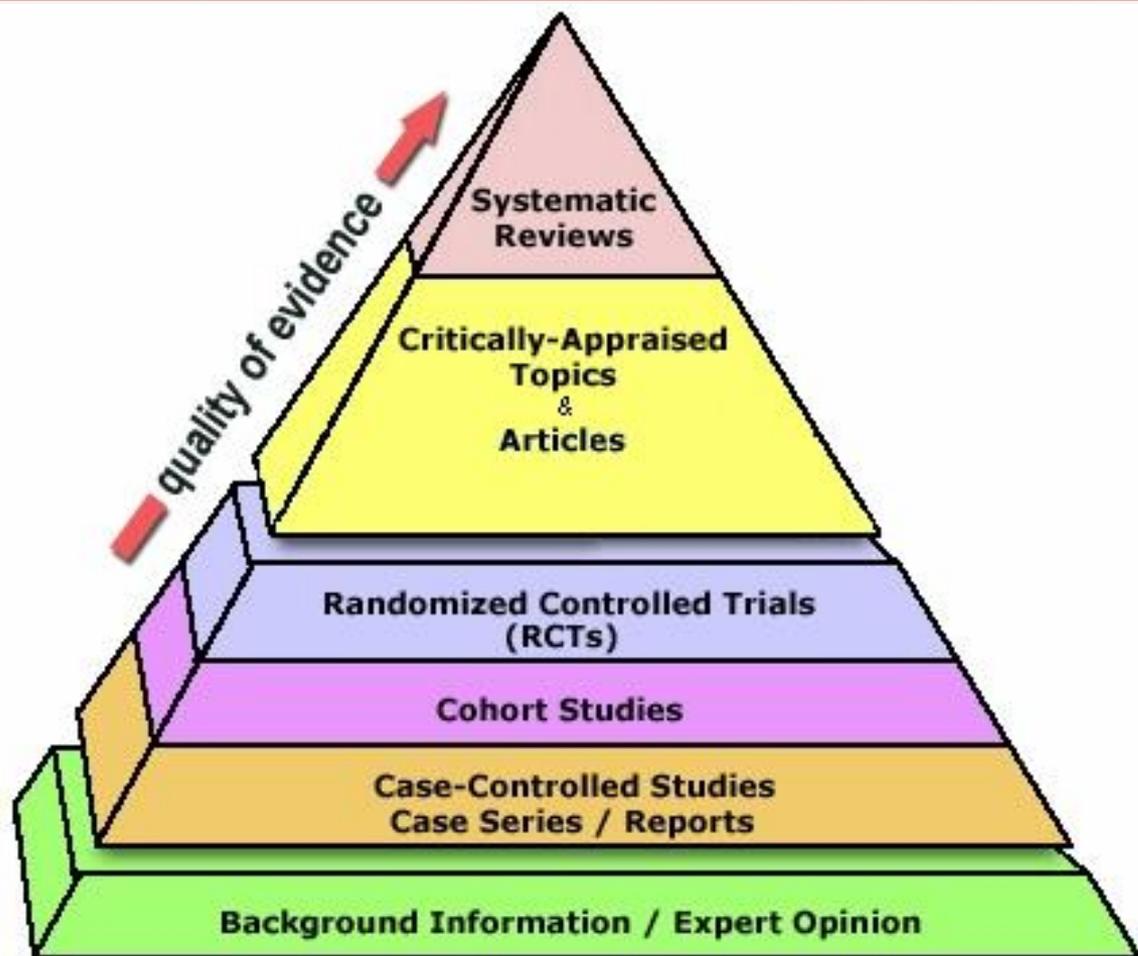
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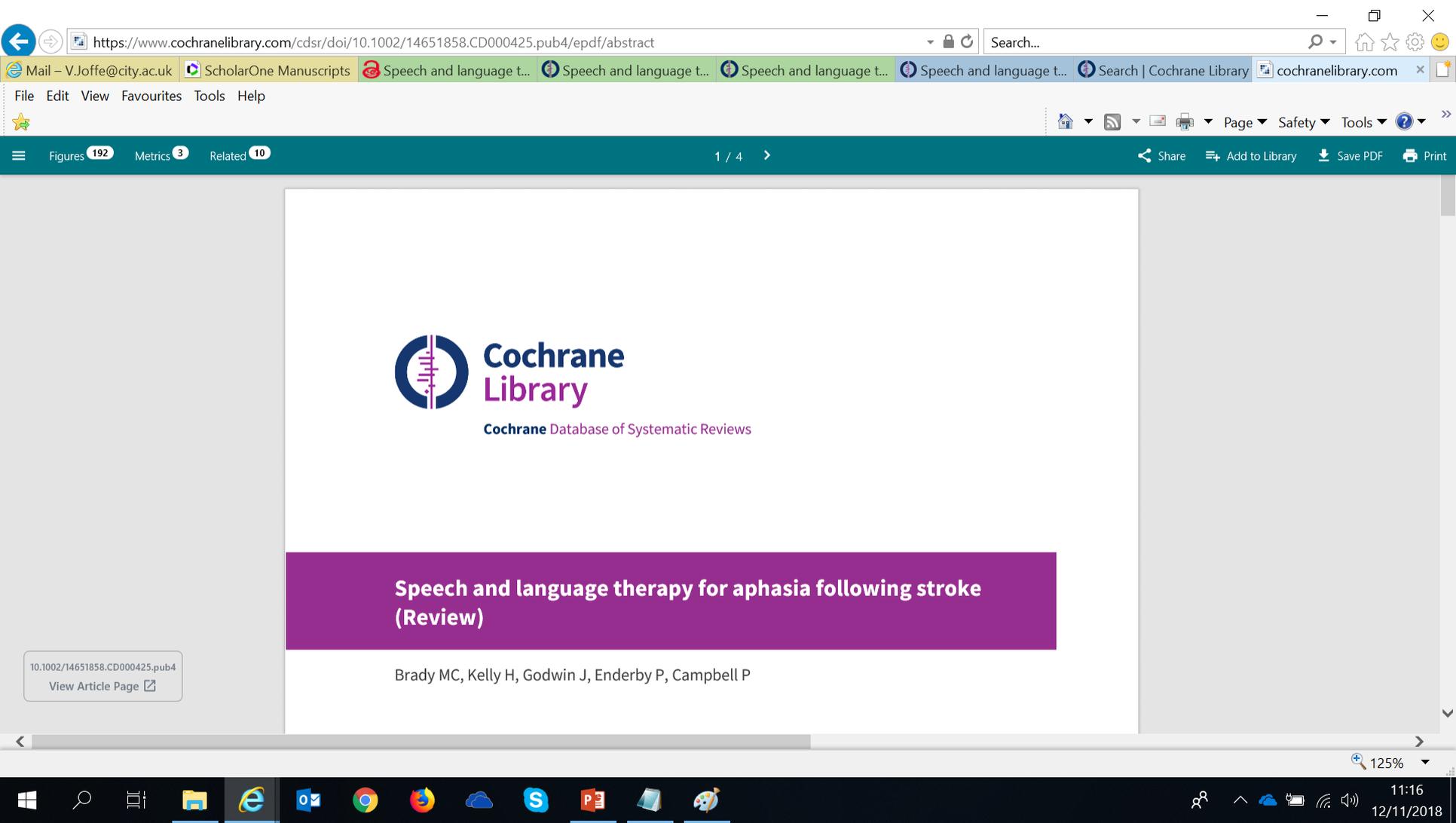
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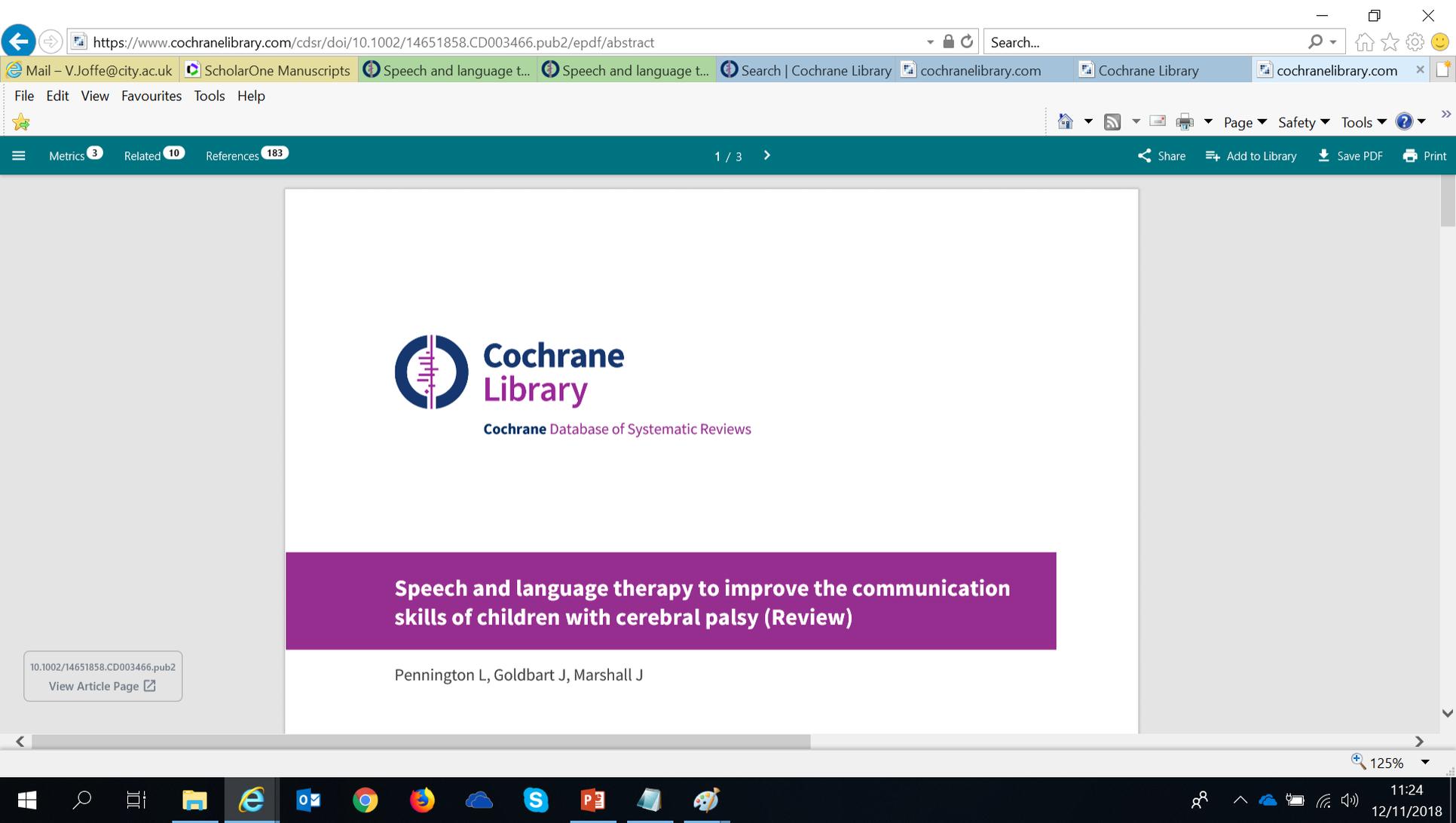
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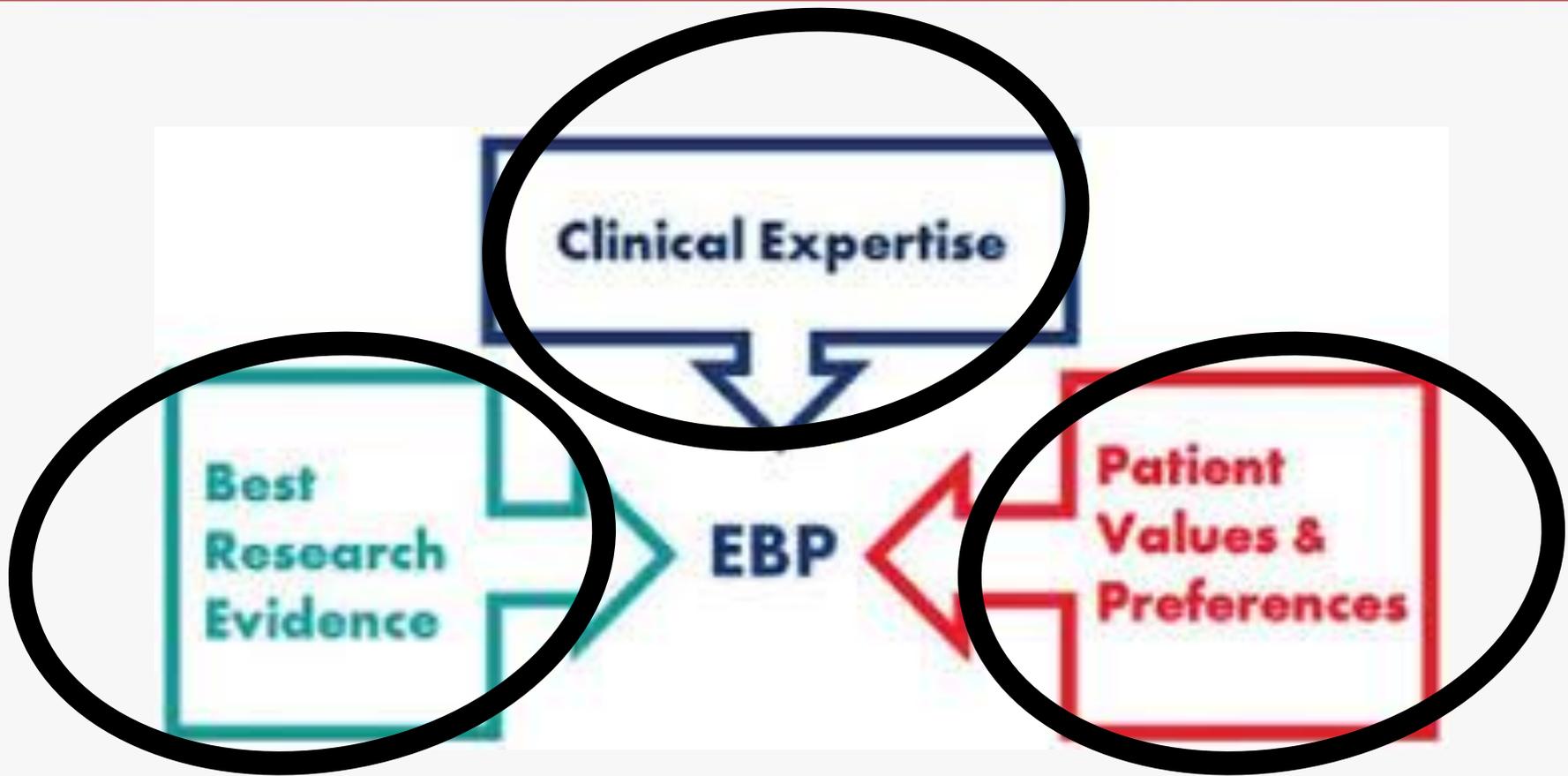
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What are the components of our evidence base?

- ❑ More sophisticated investigations - not only exploring effectiveness of an intervention, but looking in much more detail at finer essential nuances, including:
 - ingredients for why it works
 - for which specific groups/disorder/client it works best for
 - how much do we need for it to work best – dosage
 - how frequently do we need to deliver it – intensity
 - who is best placed to deliver it – service delivery model

Commentary

Characterizing optimal intervention intensity: The relationship between dosage and effect size in interventions for children with developmental speech and language difficulties

Biao Zeng, James Law  & Geoff Lindsay

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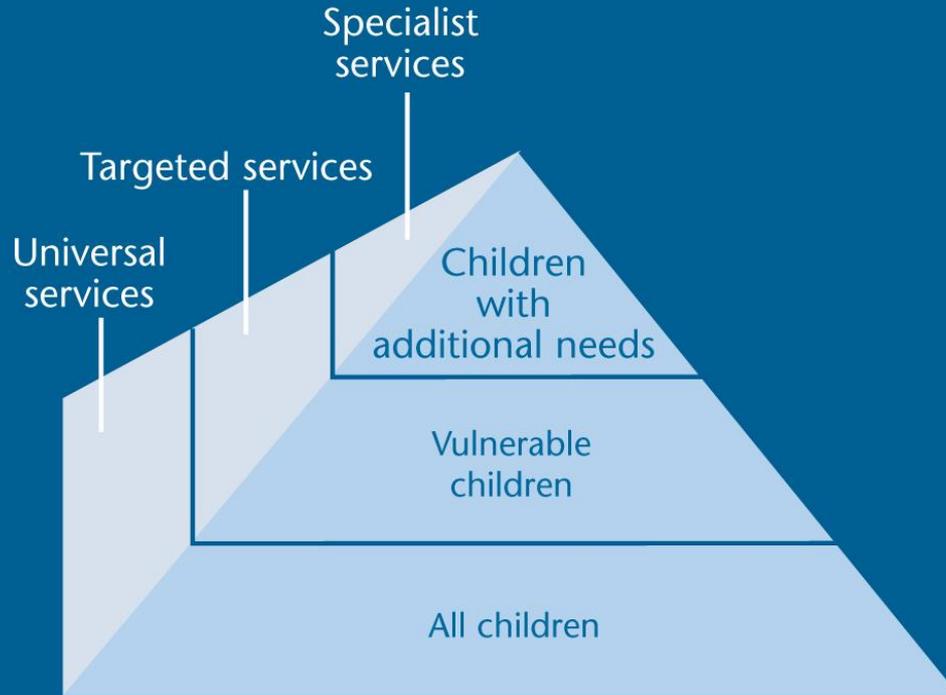
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Figure 2 **Population of children and the services provided**



(Gascoigne, 2006, p. 10)

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Evidence-based pathways to intervention for children with language disorders

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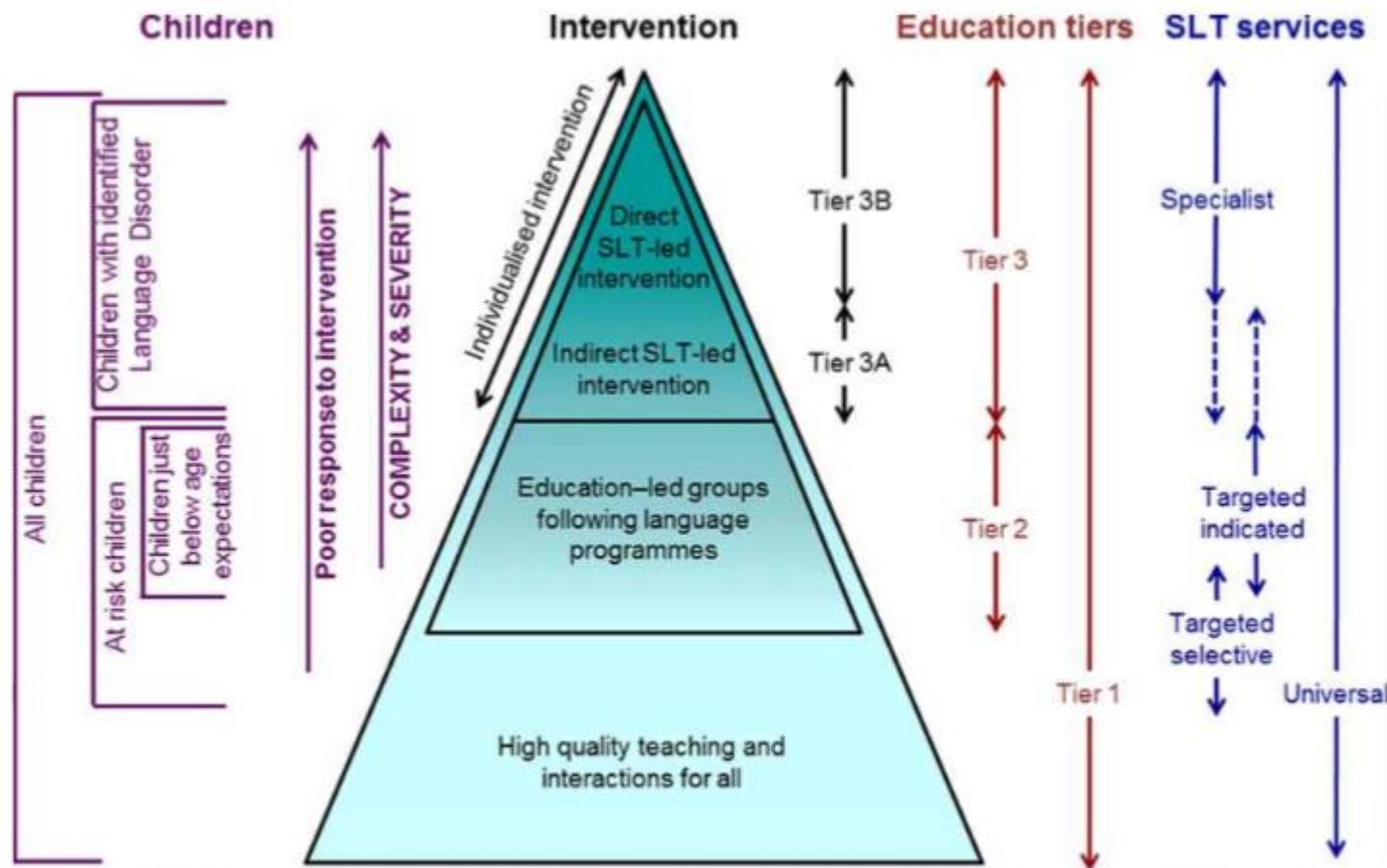
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Staged pathways to intervention for children with language disorders





What are the components of our evidence base?

- ❑ Expansion in use of qualitative methodology allowing for the experiences and views of the service users and their families

What about qualitative research? (it's not all about quantitative data)

Qualitative research focuses on the beliefs, experiences and interpretations of participants, addressing psychosocial questions

Victoria & Vanessa
Joffe & Rogers

Vanessa Rogers and Vicky Joffe discuss the valuable contribution qualitative research methods make to clinical research

that provides opportunities to uncover the individual experiences of clients and their families. It can encourage us to develop and question our styles of interaction and their impact on patient experience. Our patients are so much more than a collection of assessment scores and qualitative research can help us to demonstrate and understand this.

There are many different methods of collecting and analysing qualitative data. Common qualitative data collection methods include interviews, observations, review of documents and focus groups. Methods of analysing qualitative data can include narrative analysis, typological classifications, event analysis, discourse analysis and thematic analysis.

Give qualitative research a go

We love getting feedback from members. Most of you do not hold back about what we are doing well and what we could

problem or area of investigation. Alternatively, it can help to go deeper and investigate nuances and subtleties.

To begin with, qualitative research methods can

Interviews

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- ❑ Challenging long held beliefs about and uses of diagnostic terms

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- ❑ Challenging long held beliefs and uses of diagnostic terms
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- **Therapy Outcome Measures (TOMS):** describes the relative abilities and difficulties of a client in the four domains of
 - ❖ **impairment**
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 - ❖ **participation**
 - ❖ **wellbeing**

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- Talking and listening
- Speech
- Fluency
- Voice
- Social skills
- Emotional well-being
- Behaviour
- Eating and drinking.



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Struggles to find the right word *	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Talks appropriately with other people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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(Sohail and Joffe, 2016)

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Participates/engages appropriately in class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Participates in extra-curricular activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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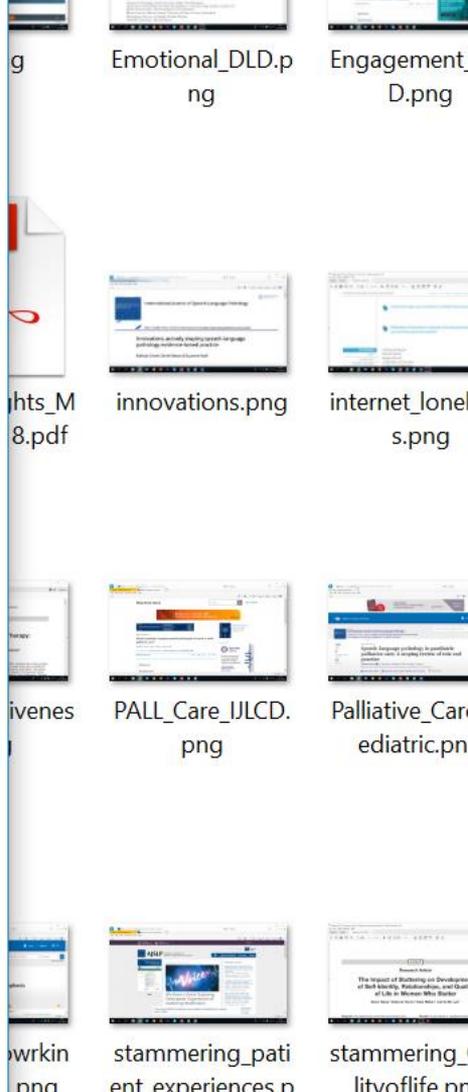
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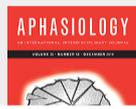
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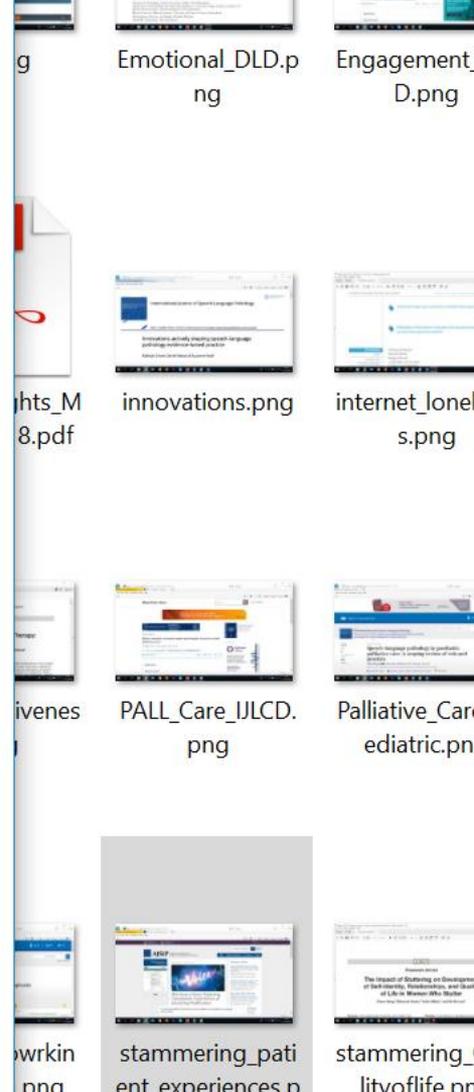
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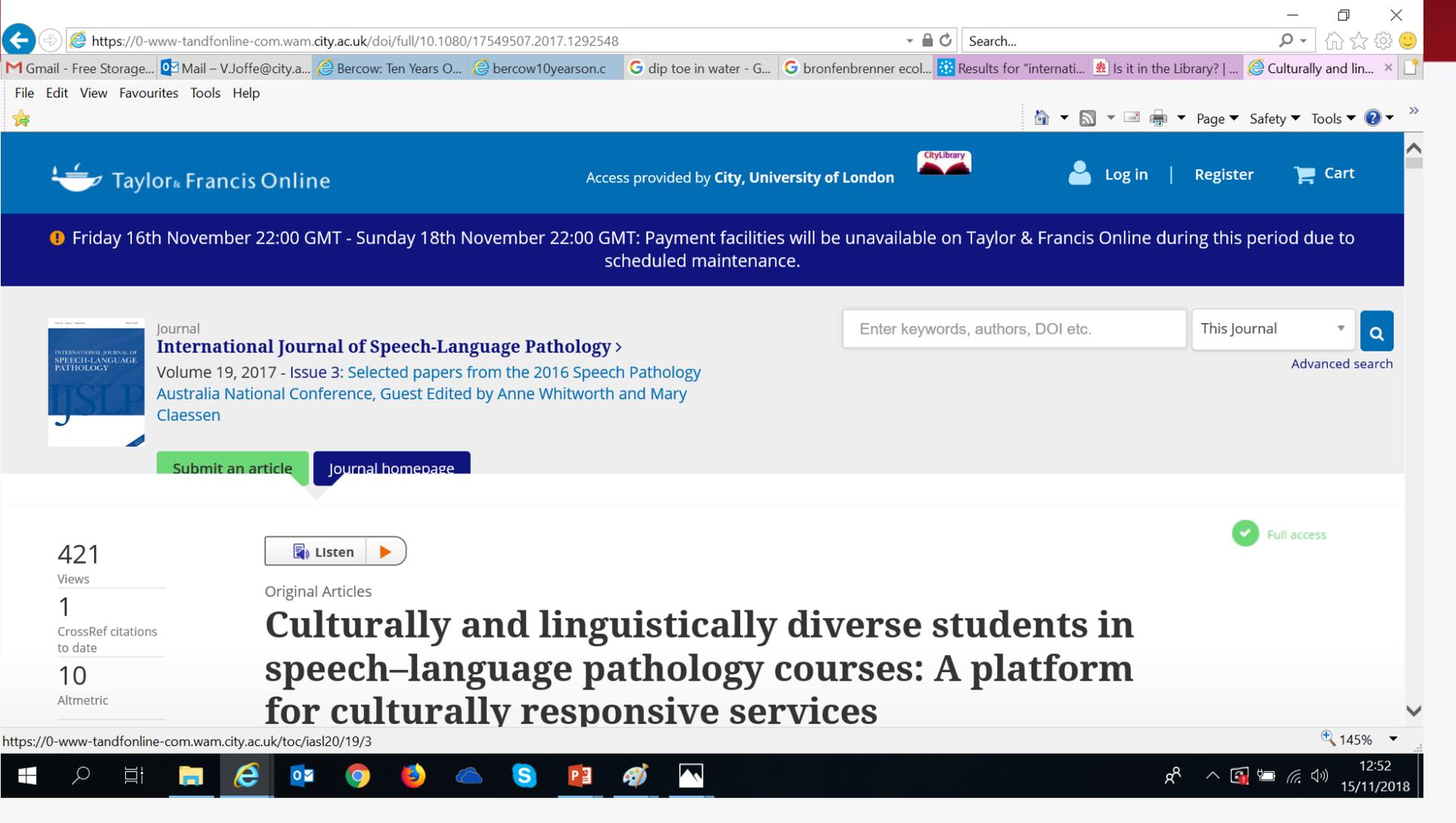
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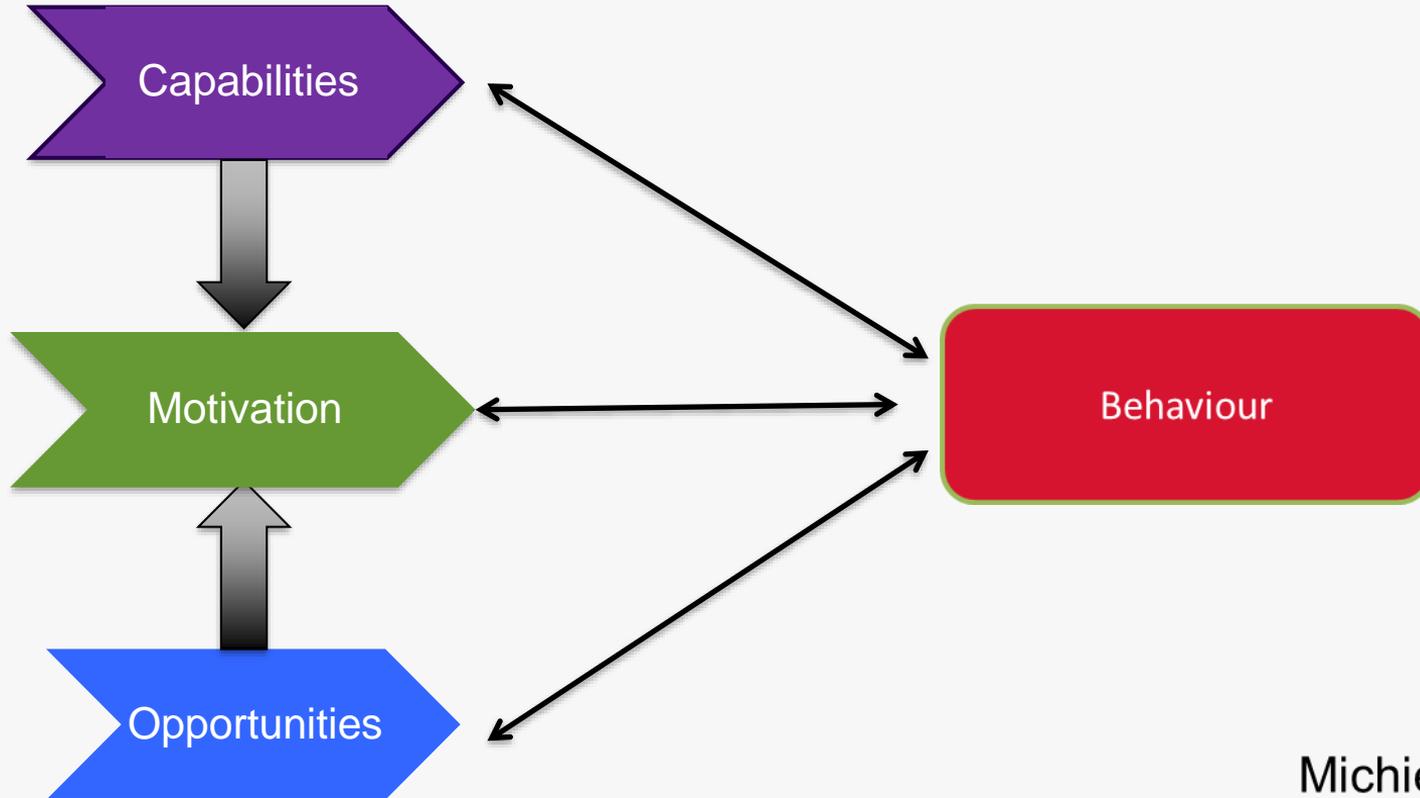
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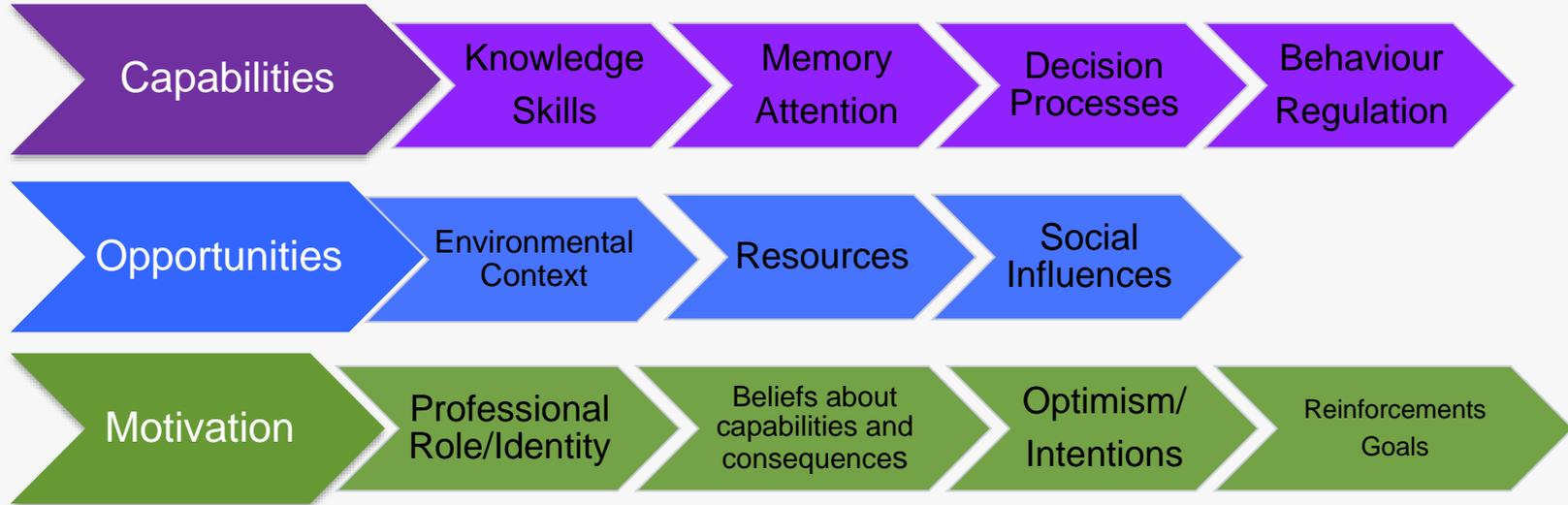
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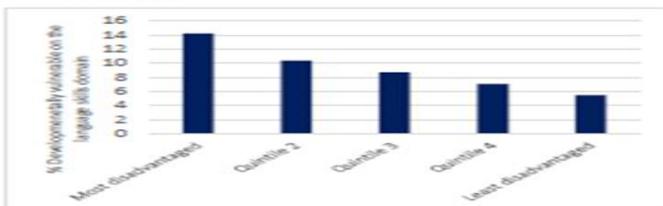
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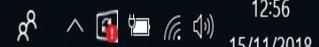
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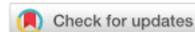
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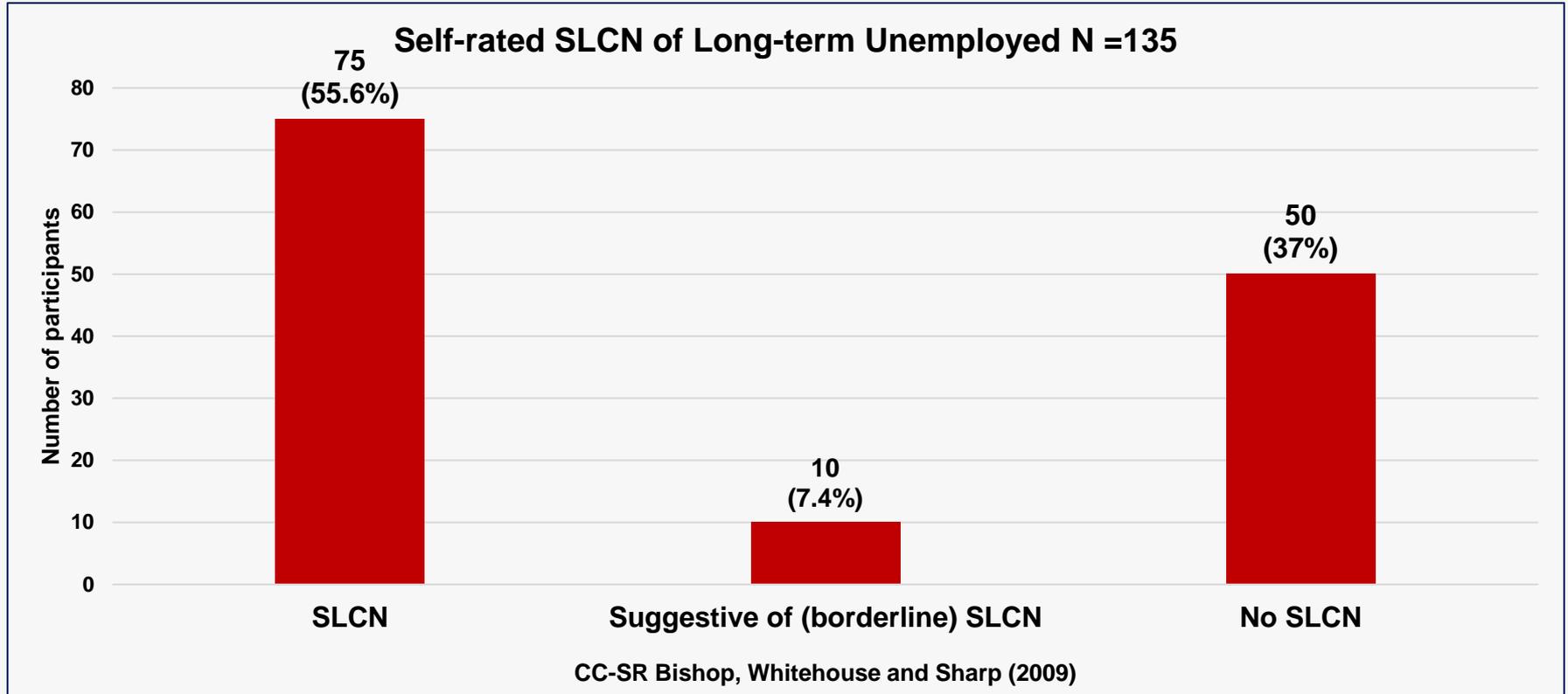
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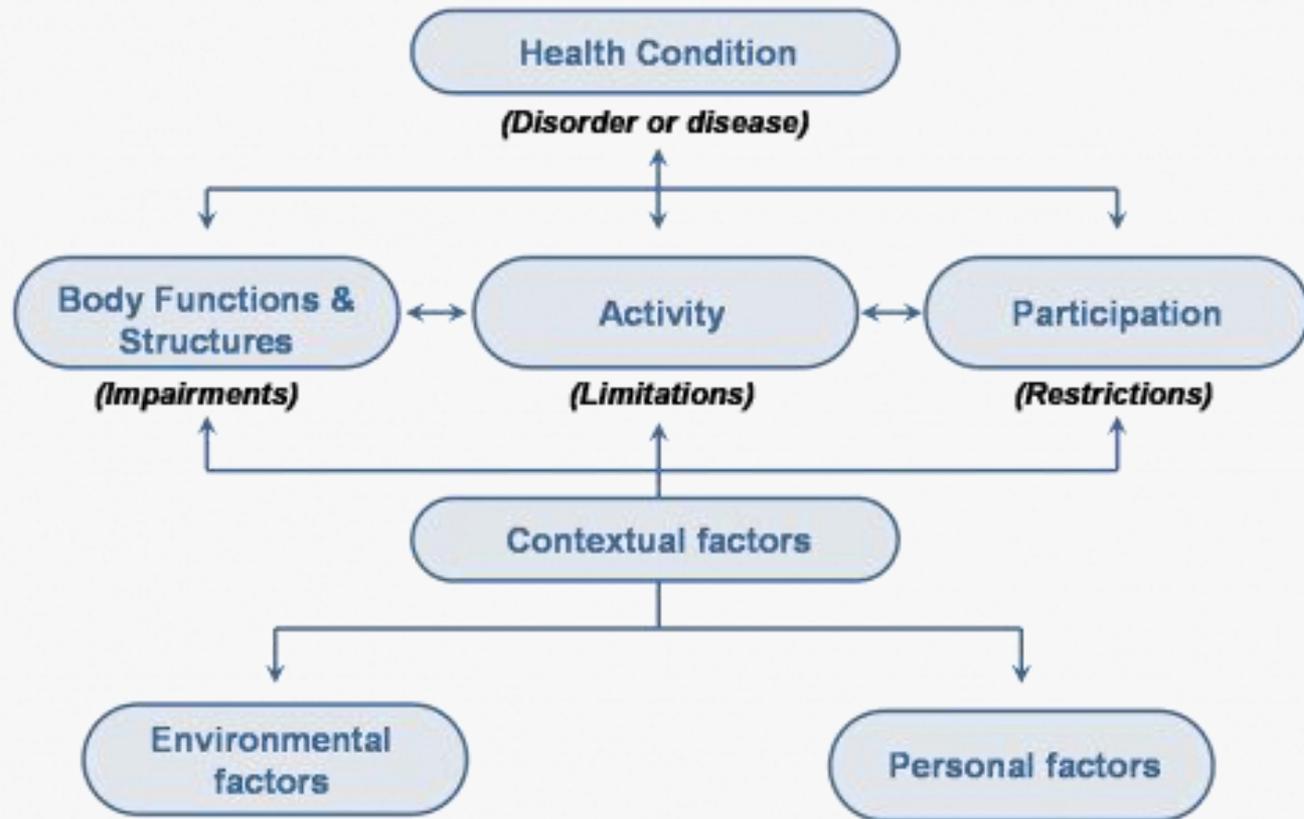
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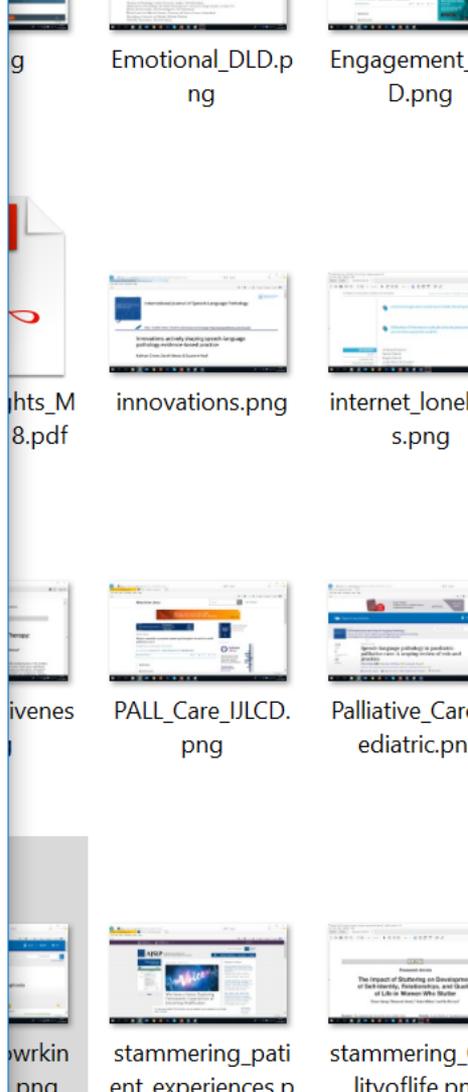
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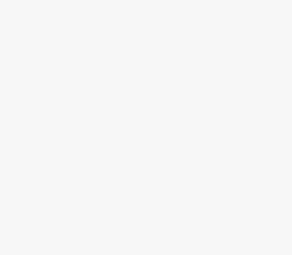
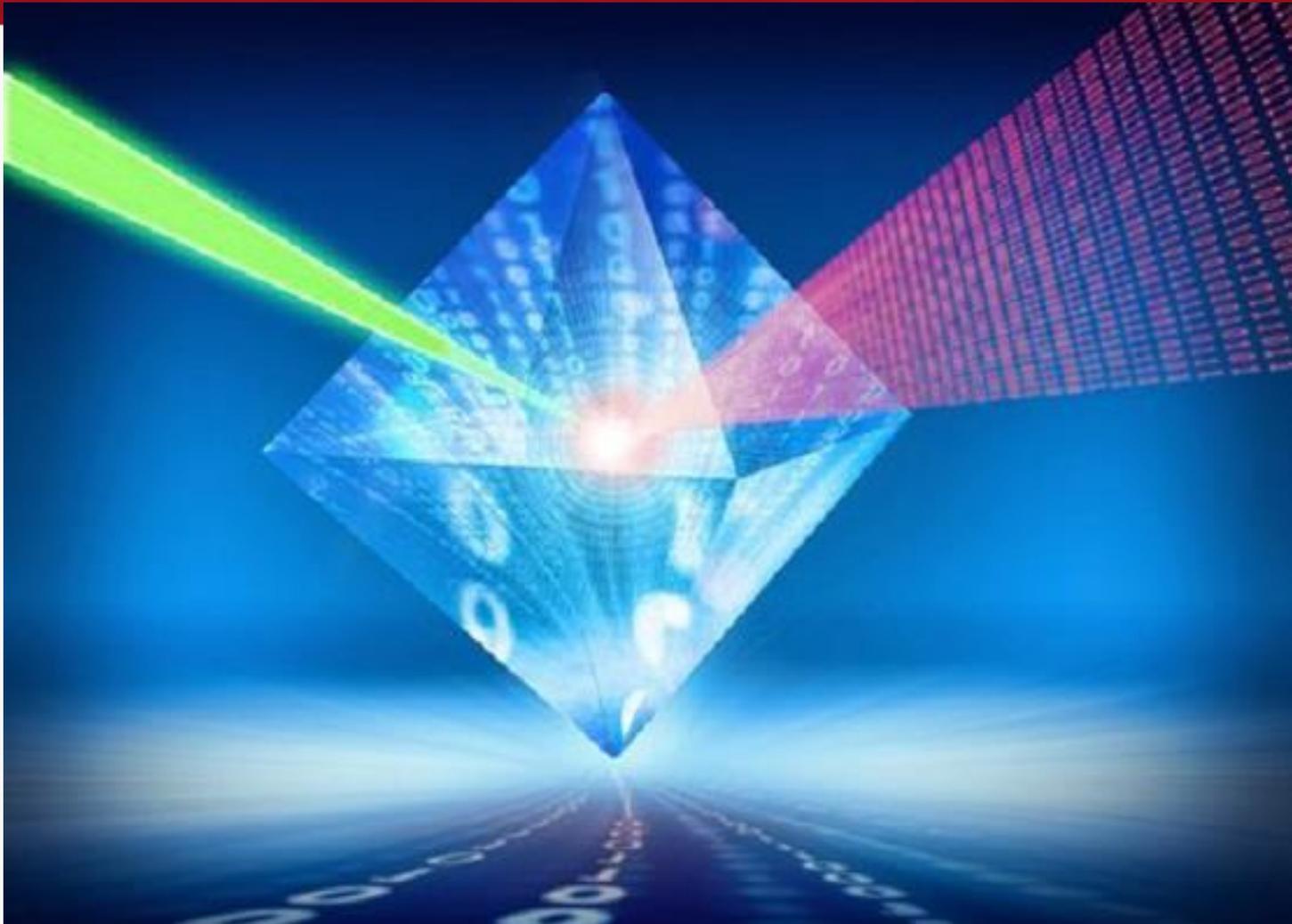
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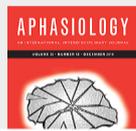
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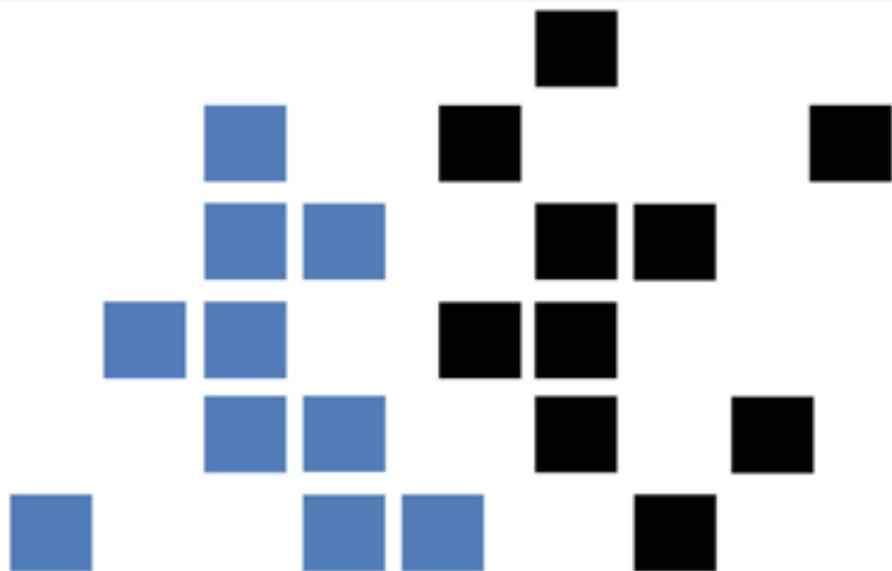
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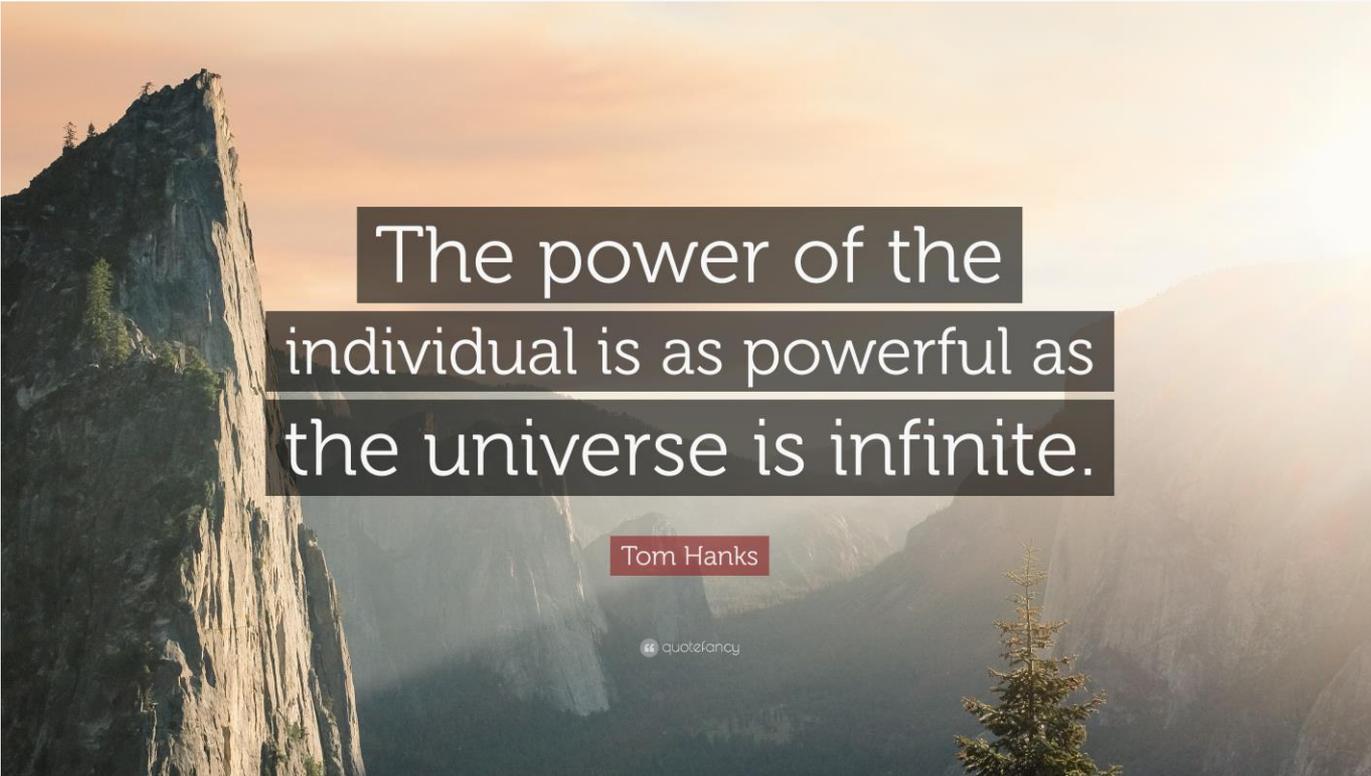


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