



iGEN update May '22

Evidence gap map report submitted!

We are now in the twelfth month of the iGEN project (hasn't that gone quickly!).

We submitted the draft report of the Evidence Gap Map on the 4th April and it is now under peer review. You can find a link to the current EGM in the 'Dissemination' section.

Since then we have also submitted protocols for two separate systematic reviews looking at the impact of intergenerational interventions on older people's mental health and wellbeing and of children and younger people's mental health and wellbeing—these are now also under peer review and we hope they will be published soon. We are currently working on these two reviews and hope to have some results to share with you over the summer so please look out for correspondence on this in late July/early August.

We have secured funding for a further publication to incorporate the findings of both these reviews together in an overarching report which will also include community related outcomes.

The information specialists Morwenna Rogers and Anthea Sutton have also teamed up to work on further research to investigate the use of streamlining search methods to improve the efficiency of reviews about intergenerational activities—so watch this space for further developments!

At the beginning of May we were given the opportunity to talk about the project with our colleagues as part of the [PenARC](#) Executive Communication seminar series in Exeter, you can view the recording of this seminar by following the link in the 'Dissemination' section.

We have a number of other dissemination activities coming up which can be found in the 'Upcoming events' section.

How you can help us now

As you can see we have already made a start in sharing findings from the Evidence Gap Map and we hope to continue this in different ways as the report is finalized and published, and as we progress the other related reviews. Fiona is already busy co-producing a podcast about the project alongside some of our team and stakeholders but we would also like your ideas on how we can make the most of our communications and how best to engage our audiences.

Please share your thoughts with us on who we can/should engage and how we might best engage with that audience whether by email, newsletter, video, podcast, presentation workshop or any other practical means. Contact us by email on r.s.whear@exeter.ac.uk or add your thoughts on [Jamboard](#) to share your ideas anonymously and see others too.

Upcoming events

British Gerontology Society conference 8th July—oral presentation

Only Connect conference 27-29th July—oral presentation and workshop

Society for Social Medicine conference 7-9th September—oral presentation

Dissemination

Publications:
[Evidence gap map—protocol](#)

View the current [EGM](#)

View PenARC seminar '[Intergenerational practice is an inclusive society: Collaboration and engagement, evidence mapping, and insights from a current project](#)'

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We hope to see you all soon and will be looking to hold a stakeholder meeting in early September 2022. Many thanks Becky, Fiona, Morwenna and Jo on behalf of the iGEN team.