

## EMWA webinar programme update

One of the benefits of being an EMWA member is having access to the webinar programme.

In 2018, we are providing a new webinar almost every month of the year either in live or recorded formats.

Thanks to our wonderful speakers, this year we've had the following webinars:

- More medical writing tips by Amy Whereat
- Key EU medical device regulations by Raquel Billiones
- Pharmacovigilance Special Interest Group update by Tiziana Von Bruchhausen and Lisa Chamberlain James

Upcoming webinars are described below.

### How to organise and deliver a webinar yourself

June 28, 2018, at 14:00 CET

Carolina Rojido

Now that internet-based learning and working are commonplace it can be useful to know how a webinar is done. Most of you probably know how to deliver training or a presentation. The EMWA webinar team can support EMWA webinar speakers by providing all the technical support necessary. However, you might find yourself in a situation where you need to be speaker AND organizer, or may be asked if you have this skill. Carolina Rojido will tell you how to prepare and run an engaging webinar smoothly.

### Writing guidelines

July 17, 2018, at 14:00 to 15:00 CET

Andrea Rossi

The Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) statement, issued in 2001, was the first example of a comprehensive and structured guideline including practical examples and a clear explanation of how to use it to communicate the results of randomised clinical trials (RCTs). In addition to these, different guidelines and checklists to use for the results of observational and many other types of studies have been published. The structure of CONSORT and STROBE guidelines will be reviewed in this webinar, which is a brief introduction to writing guidelines.

### Why you shouldn't miss the next EMWA conference?

August – This webinar, also open for non-members, will be recorded and is scheduled to be uploaded August 28, 2018.

Carolina Rojido & Laura C. Collada Ali

EMWA conferences provide a medium for networking, active discussions, and extensive cost-effective professional training. It's also an opportunity to benefit from the experiences of other medical writers.

Hear Carolina Rojido's thoughts about her

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first conference experience. Laura Collada Ali has attended several conferences; she will discuss why she thinks they are so worthwhile.

### EMWA's webinar series

EMWA's webinars can be accessed at <https://www.emwa.org/training/emwa-webinars-programme/>. Webinars may be recorded or presented live. For live webinars, you only need to register and then connect to our webinars platform on the webinar date at the above address. A recording will be available shortly after the event in the Archive section. Nevertheless, we advise you to participate to allow you to ask questions and contribute the discussion. For recorded webinars, we encourage you to send us any questions by the date indicated so that they can be answered. For further information about webinars contact [webinar@emwa.org](mailto:webinar@emwa.org).

We'd like to thank our volunteers Irene Farré, Ananya Malladi, and Paul Wafula for their help in the development of the programme. New volunteers are always welcome!

If you would like to experience being a webinar speaker, you only need to provide your slides and present, we will take care of everything else!

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## ISMPP U webinar on the Joint Position Statement on the Role of Professional Medical Writers

The AMWA-EMWA-ISMPP Joint Position Statement (JPS) on the Role of Professional Medical Writers emphasizes the importance of professional medical writers in promoting the use of guidelines for reporting the results of biomedical research. Many reporting guidelines are available, and a compiled list and links to the individual guidelines are available at the EQUATOR Network website. (See also Andrea Rossi's webinar on "Writing guidelines", above.)

At this ISMPP U webinar, you will hear from Caroline Struthers (EQUATOR Educa-

tion and Training Manager, UK EQUATOR Centre) and Karen Woolley (JPS co-author) about the goal shared between the EQUATOR Network and the JPS, and you will gain practical tips on how you can help the EQUATOR Network and how the EQUATOR Network can help you.

This JPS webinar is a joint educational webinar of ISMPP, AMWA, and EMWA. It will have long-lasting career benefits for writers and managers of writers. At the end of this webinar, participants should be able to:

- Describe why the JPS encourages profes-

sional medical writers to be guideline champions

- Access reporting guidelines that can enhance accurate, transparent, and complete reporting ... for almost any type of health research study
  - Recall three practical tips that could enhance a writer's career, based on use of the JPS and the EQUATOR Network
- The webinar was held on May 30, 2018. A recording can be accessed at <http://login.icohere.com/ISMPP?pnnum=SMM61577>.

## Conference reporting

At the May conference in Barcelona, for the first time, we had EMWA members reporting on key sessions. The objective was to allow EMWA members to learn from their colleagues' experiences and insights and to provide an opportunity for members to practice their journalistic skills. We will be publishing their short articles in the September issue of *Medical Writing*.

If you are interested covering one or more sessions of an upcoming conference, please contact EMWA Head Office at [info@emwa.org](mailto:info@emwa.org), with "Conference reporting" in the subject line.

## Freelance Business Forum report now available

The sub-committee report of the highly successful Freelance Business Forum held at the recent 46th EMWA Barcelona is now available. An overview and photographs of the event are presented, summarising the outcomes of Freelance Business Forum table discussions and the guest speaker

presentation. The table discussions continue to provide valuable expert advice in numerous areas of medical writing, editing, and translation work, for both experienced and new freelancers.

The report can be accessed at <https://www.emwa.org/freelance/freelance-resource-centre/>.



**Save the date**  
**EMWA Conference**  
November 8–10, 2018

For more information:  
<https://www.emwa.org/conferences/future-conferences/>

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Photo by Jane Marshall



Photo by Laura Kehoe and Allison Kirsop

## Winners of the Barcelona conference photo competition

At the Barcelona EMWA conference, members were asked to submit photos that included their EMWA 25th anniversary badge for a competition. Photos could be sent by email or Twitter. Winners were selected by the Executive Committee and included Jane Marshall, Laura Kehoe, and Allison Kirsop. Thanks to everyone who participated!