Workshop: Research Synthesis Best Practices for Addiction Psychology

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This workshop will provide participants concrete best practice recommendations to address the many unique challenges encountered in any type of research synthesis for addiction psychology. This workshop is applicable to all levels of researchers, from students to mid- and senior-level professors.

Some highlights of this session will include:

- Role(s) of synthesis literature and primary reasons for conducting different types of research synthesis
- Standardized tools available for assessing risk of bias and the quality of evidence in different types of research syntheses
- Challenges in conducting a research synthesis and how to address them
- Addressing up-to-datedness of the literature

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