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Nancy Santesso is Associate Professor, Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence and Impact at McMaster University, the Deputy Director of Cochrane Canada, and also a Registered Dietitian. She has been involved with the <u>GRADE working group</u> since 2007.

Dr. Santesso's research interests are in methods of developing systematic reviews and guidelines, and in their use by key stakeholders, such as patients and the public. She has conducted and continues to conduct qualitative and quantitative primary research in this area.

Nancy also teaches methods for systematic reviews and guideline development at McMaster University and at workshops for various professional societies and organisations. Nancy consults with many national and international organisations to facilitate guideline development. She has provided her expertise to organisations such as the World Health Organisation for screening and treatments to prevent cervical cancer and for sexually transmitted infections; Osteoporosis Canada; AO Spine; the American Society of Hematology and currently to the European Commission. These consultations have led to the publication of numerous systematic reviews and guidelines, methods papers for their development, and patient versions of the guidelines.