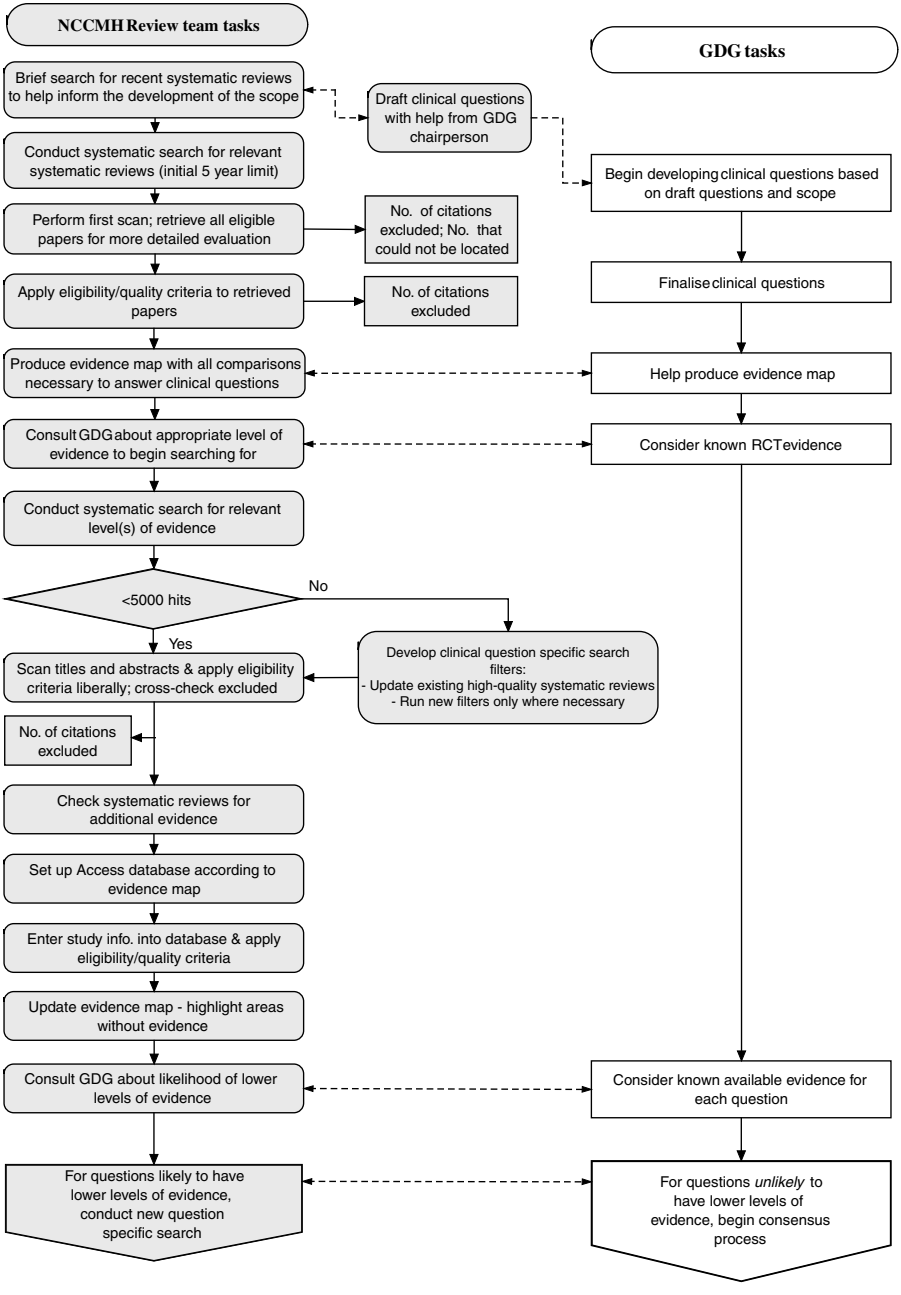
NCCMH Review team tasks
GDG tasks
Brief search for recent systematic reviews to help inform the development of the scope
Draft clinical questions with help from GDG chairperson
Conduct systematic search for relevant systematic reviews (initial 5 year limit)
Begin developing clinical questions based on draft questions and scope
Perform first scan; retrieve all eligible papers for more detailed evaluation
No. of citations excluded; No. that could not be located
Apply eligibility/quality criteria to retrieved papers
No. of citations excluded
Finalise clinical questions
Produce evidence map with all comparisons necessary to answer clinical questions
Help produce evidence map
Consult GDG about appropriate level of evidence to begin searching for
Consider known RCT evidence
Conduct systematic search for relevant level(s) of evidence
<5000 hits
No
Yes
Develop clinical question specific search filters:
- Update existing high-quality systematic reviews
- Run new filters only where necessary
Scan titles and abstracts & apply eligibility criteria liberally; cross-check excluded
No. of citations excluded
Check systematic reviews for additional evidence
Set up Access database according to evidence map
Enter study info. into database & apply eligibility/quality criteria
Update evidence map - highlight areas without evidence
Consult GDG about likelihood of lower levels of evidence
Consider known available evidence for each question
For questions likely to have lower levels of evidence, conduct new question specific search
For questions unlikely to have lower levels of evidence, begin consensus process