The University of Victoria School of Nursing, Centre for Evidence-Informed Nursing and Healthcare (CEiNHC): A JBI affiliated group

What is the Joanna Briggs Institute?
Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) is recognized as a global leader in evidence-based healthcare. JBI was established at the University of Adelaide, South Australia in 1996 as an independent, international not-for-profit research organization. JBI collaborating centres around the world promote and support the synthesis, transfer and utilization of evidence through identifying feasible, appropriate, meaningful and effective healthcare practices to improve healthcare outcomes globally. The JBI collaborates with other international groups such as the Cochrane Collaboration, Campbell Collaboration, Guidelines International Network, and the International Society for Evidence-Based Health Care.

Why was the JBI developed?
JBI arose from the recognition of a need for a collaborative approach to the evaluation of evidence derived from a diverse range of sources, including experience, expertise and all forms of rigorous research and the translation, transfer and utilisation of the "best available" evidence into health care practice. JBI has over 70 collaborating centres across the world, including five in Canada.

What is the mission of the JBI?
The mission of the JBI is to improve health outcomes in communities globally by promoting and supporting the use of the best available evidence to inform decisions made at the point of care. JBI seeks to respond to the needs of those working in and using health care services by providing high quality, reliable and useful information to healthcare decision makers and practitioners. JBI groups:
- Identify health care practice issues that require an appraisal of evidence to inform best practices;
- Carry out and facilitate systematic reviews of international research;
- Prepare and evaluate easy-to-read summaries of systematic reviews, e.g. JBI Evidence Summaries and Best Practice Information Sheets;
- Promote broad and targeted dissemination strategies for health care professionals working within the health care system, governments and service provider units as well as consumers;
- Design, promote and deliver short courses in evidence-based practice for clinicians, researchers, managers, lecturers, teachers and students.

Introducing the JBI Collaboration
The JBI Collaboration is a worldwide effort to promote and support the use of the best available evidence to inform decisions made at the point of care. The functions of the JBI Collaboration are directed towards the knowledge needs of local clinicians and consumers, with each Collaborating Entity leading evidence-based initiatives in their region, country, state or specialty. JBI provides a systematic
process for finding and appraising evidence, a process supported by training, tools, a peer-review process, and networking to inform best practices. The JBIC is the largest global collaboration to integrate evidence-based healthcare within a theory informed model that brings together academic entities with hospitals and health systems. The JBI model is founded on a strong relationship between academic, research, practice and policy partners.

**JBI in Canada**
Queens University was the first North American organization to lead the development of a JBI collaborating centre in Canada. The Queens Collaboration for Health Care Quality was formed as an academic-clinical practice partnership to promote the use of best available evidence in nursing practice in one Ontario region. In addition to the Queen’s JBI Centre of Excellence, there are now five Canadian groups including JBI Affiliate groups in Newfoundland, New Brunswick, and British Columbia (UVic) and another JBI Centre in Nova Scotia (Dalhousie).

**How can JBI help you? How can you work with JBI?**
The School of Nursing at the University Of Victoria is home to the JBI Centre for Evidence informed Nursing and Health Care. We are a team of researchers, librarians and graduate students and are an affiliated group of JBI with a focus on Evidence Synthesis and Systematic Reviews. We meet monthly to provide mentorship and support for people working on JBI reviews. We also offer the JBI Comprehensive Systematic Training Program each year (usually in May). We are currently building collaborations with local health care, educational and government agencies to increase our impact on health care services for Vancouver Island and across B.C. If you are interested in finding out more about JBI and the benefits it can bring to your organization, please contact one of our Co-Directors:

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The JBI Model of Evidence Based Healthcare  
[https://joannabriggs.org/jbi-approach.html](https://joannabriggs.org/jbi-approach.html)

The JBI Reviewer’s Manual  
[https://wiki.joannabriggs.org/display/MANUAL/JBI+Reviewer%27s+Manual](https://wiki.joannabriggs.org/display/MANUAL/JBI+Reviewer%27s+Manual)

The JBI Comprehensive Systematic Review Training Program (CSRTP)  
[https://joannabriggs.org/education/short-courses/CSRTP](https://joannabriggs.org/education/short-courses/CSRTP)

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