

Fudan University CERTC establishes Evidence-based Medicine (EBM) Center

In September 2003 the Fudan University Clinical Epidemiology Research and Training Center (CERTC) established the Center for Evidence Based Medicine with Professor Wang Jiyao as its first director. Prof. Lin Guowei and Prof. Chen Jie are the advisors. Due to the rapid development in information technology and medicine, members of the CERTC believed that it was the right time to establish the EBM Center. Aside from the existing membership of the CERTC who are specialists in internal medicine, surgery, pediatrics, psychiatry, epidemiology, clinical epidemiology, biostatistics, health economics, sociology and health management, the EBM Center has attracted a new generation of clinical epidemiologists and clinicians from Zhong Shan Hospital, Hua Shan Hospital, Children Hospital and Jing Shan Hospital. Membership also includes experts in information and communications technology. CERTC leaders consider that this combination of specialties will make the organization more relevant and efficient.

The overall goal of the center is to promote EBM in China. Activities towards this goal include EBM continuing education for health professionals, research quality improvement, collaborative researches on collecting and evaluating evidence on the diagnosis and management of high-burden diseases in China, establishment and evaluation of clinical practice guidelines, and establishing an EBM Question and Answer electronic bank.

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