## Tu16-45 Summary of the Day

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## Take Home Messages

- Question may be Starting Point or Product of Review (Compass rather than Anchor - Eakin & Mykhalovskiy, 2003)
- Important Decisions re:
  - Studies to Include
  - Data to Include
  - Method of Synthesis
  - Whether Quality should be a Determinant
- Searching requires Similar Techniques to SRs in General [e.g. Sensitivity]. However focus on Constructing Sampling Frame rather than Exhaustivity
- Use of Filters is "Horses for Courses" i.e. you choose according to rationale for sampling

## Any Questions?

## Reference

 Eakin JM, Mykhalovskiy E. Reframing the evaluation of qualitative health research: reflections on a review of appraisal guidelines in the health sciences. *J Eval Clin Pract.* 2003 May;9(2):187-94.