



# ALIA AEBPLI

## Terms of Reference

### **Purpose**

The ALIA AEBPLI Special Interest Group (the Group) plans, manages, and delivers the Australasian Evidence Based Practice Librarians' Institute (AEBPLI).

AEBPLI has previously been delivered as a residential course. In 2026, AEBPLI will be delivered online.

### **Focus**

AEBPLI introduces evidence-based practice, with a focus, for example, on question building, searching, critical appraisal of the literature and advanced topics related to systematic reviews. Participants are usually from health, research, or hospital libraries.

### **Commitment to sustainability and leadership development**

The Group develops leadership expertise for health and hospital librarians through advanced knowledge and skills. The Group is committed to sustainable event management initiatives and will ensure this is considered throughout the planning and delivery of the event e.g. recycling and reducing carbon emissions.

### **Membership**

The Core Committee has the following office holders:

Convenor [Nikki May, 2026]

Secretary [Kathryn Ritchie, 2026]

Treasurer [Tony Courtenay, 2026]

General member [Janene Batten, 2026]

Office holders must be an ALIA personal member or the formal nominee of the appointed representative, of an Institutional or Corporate Member.

### **Determining Office Holders**

When a position in the executive committee becomes vacant there will be a call for expressions of interest for the position(s). The decision for appointment rests with the current group members. Office holders are appointed for a maximum three-year term.

## **Relationships**

The Group will work collaboratively with ALIA National Office and other ALIA Committees and Groups as required. The following Groups or Committees are of particular relevance: ALIA HLA.

## **Responsibilities**

The Core Committee is responsible for following the guidance in the Groups Handbook. AEBPLI aligns with ALIA's CPD Scheme in the Health Specialisation competencies.

## **Frequency of Meetings**

The Group will meet as needed (typically monthly).

## **Changes to the terms of reference**

The terms of reference may be revised by the AEBPLI Committee in consultation with Group members and submitted to the ALIA CEO for approval.

## **Version history**

Approved March 2026  
ALIA CEO