Today’s session will use a web site and powerpoint presentation to describe the following:

1. What systematic reviews (SR) are.
2. Reasons for SR.
3. Basic steps and resources for completing SR.
4. Current software used for completing SR.
5. Tools for evaluating SR.

Workshop Web Site: libguides.library.kent.edu/SRgettingstarted

Related web site on doing a “traditional literature review”: libguides.library.kent.edu/litreview
One Model of a Systematic Review Process

Figure 1 Existing methods for systematic reviews follow these steps with some variations. Not all systematic reviews follow all steps. This process typically takes between 12 and 24 months. Adapted from the Cochrane [10] and CREBP [11] Manuals for systematic reviews. SR systematic review, SD standard deviation.