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Dr. Levack is the Associate Dean of Research for University of Otago in Wellington, and a Senior Lecturer in Rehabilitation. Originally training as a physiotherapist, Dr. Levack completed his Masters in Health Science endorsed in Rehabilitation in 2001 and a PhD in interdisciplinary rehabilitation in 2008. His work focuses on patient experiences of rehabilitation, goal setting processes, and interventions to increase patient engagement in rehabilitation activities, particularly in the areas of neurological and respiratory rehabilitation. He served as Executive Member of the New Zealand Rehabilitation Association, including as Treasurer and Secretary between 2004-2015. Dr Levack has published two Cochrane reviews (35,36), methodological articles on meta-synthesis of qualitative studies, and numerous other clinical studies – both qualitative and quantitative.