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Clinical practice guideline development and implementation – policies and national approaches in Australia

Abstract

There are multiple groups in Australia that produce clinical practice guidelines, some of which are funded by government. Quality of guidelines varies and implementation is patchy. This presentation will focus on work being undertaken to improve co-ordination and quality of guidelines nationally and to build capacity in guideline implementation. It will include a discussion of a new set of mandatory standards that guidelines must meet if they are to be approved by the National Health & Medical Research Council, moves to strengthen the process for declaring and managing competing interest, and a new “Guidelines in Development” register that aims to increase coordination in guideline development efforts across the country. Some of the strategies used to improve implementation, including a fellowship program aimed at developing clinical leaders in implementation will also be presented.

About the presenter

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