

TEAM DECISION-MAKING: CONSIDERED JUDGEMENT IN HARMONY

CONSIDERED JUDGEMENT IN EVIDENCE-BASED GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT

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Abstract

Evidence-based guidelines cannot be developed without professional consensus. The objective of this workshop is to present the results of a study how to achieve consensus among experts on issues that should be considered apart from the scientific evidence in formulating the recommendations in clinical practice guidelines.

A first systematic approach to explore other considerations apart from the evidence relevant in formulating the recommendations in clinical guidelines resulted in a list of 36 items that can be used in the process of guideline development. The next step is to test its validity and use in the practice of guidelines development.

USING FORMAL CONSENSUS IN GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT: A PILOT STUDY

Presenter: Moray Nairn

Abstract

Background

In 2001, SIGN made a significant departure from the evidence-based guideline development methodology that it has been championing since 1993, with the announcement that a national guideline based on consensus techniques would be produced. In August 2004, SIGN guideline 76 – *Postoperative management in adults: A practical guide for postoperative care for clinical staff* was published.

If you have ever wondered at what is involved in putting together a consensus guideline, come and hear the story of one experience – complete with pitfalls and pleasures. The story of the creation of this guideline tells of algorithms, Delphi, NGT and a surprising appearance of an evidence base!