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GIN Standards & Description¹	Standard Achieved?	If Yes, Page Number(s)/Document Where the Information is Available
<p><u>Composition of Guideline Development Group</u></p> <p>Guideline development panel includes diverse and relevant stakeholders, such as health professionals, methodologists, experts on a topic, and patients.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Somewhat</p>	Pg. 1
<p><u>Decision-making Process</u></p> <p>Guideline describes the process used to reach consensus among the panel members and, if applicable, approval by the sponsoring organization. This process was established before the start of guideline development.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat</p>	Same review and approval process as ACP clinical guidelines and guidance statements, as outlined in ACP's methods paper (attached)
<p><u>Conflicts of Interest (disclosure)</u></p> <p>Guideline includes disclosure of the financial and nonfinancial conflicts of interest for members of the guideline development group.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat</p>	Pg. 7
<p><u>Conflicts of Interest (resolution)</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> YES</p>	Pg. 7

Guideline describes how any identified conflicts were recorded and resolved.	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
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<u>Scope of a Guideline</u>		Pg. 1
Guideline specifies its objective(s) and scope.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
<u>Methods</u>		Pg. 2
Guideline clearly describes the methods used for the guideline development in detail.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
<u>Evidence Reviews</u>		See note on pg 1 of standards form.
Guideline uses systematic evidence review methods to identify and evaluate evidence related to the guideline topic.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
<u>Guideline Recommendations</u>		Pgs. 3-4 Figure 2, pg. 6
Guideline recommendation clearly stated and based on scientific evidence of benefits; harms; and, if possible, costs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
<u>Rating of Evidence</u>		See note on pg 1 of standards form.
Guideline uses a rating system to communicate the quality and reliability of the evidence.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	

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<u>Rating of Recommendations</u> Guideline uses a rating system to communicate the quality and reliability of the strength of its recommendations.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	See note on pg 1 of standards form.
<u>Peer Review and Stakeholder Consultations</u> Review by external stakeholders conducted before guideline publication.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	Paper is subject to internal peer review through the Clinical Guidelines Committee and ACP Board of Regents and Board of Governors. Paper is subject to external peer review upon submission to journal.
<u>Guideline Expiration and Updating</u> Guideline includes an expiry date and/or describes the process that the guideline groups will use to update recommendations.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	Pg. 7
<u>Financial Support and Sponsoring Organization</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	Pg. 7

Guideline discloses financial support for the development of both the evidence review as well as the guideline recommendations.	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	
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Additional Comments

Link to ACP's published methods paper:
<http://annals.org/article.aspx?articleid=745942>