

CRITICAL REVIEW FORM: CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES UNIT

Citation:

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Guide		Comments
I	Are the recommendations valid?	
1	Did the recommendations consider all relevant patient groups, management options, and possible outcomes?	
2	Is there a systematic review linking options to outcomes for each relevant question?	
3	Is there an appropriate specification of values associated with each of the outcomes?	
4	Do the authors indicate the strength of their recommendations?	
II	What are the results?	
1	What are the key recommendations?	
III	Will the results help you in caring for your patients?	
1	Do the recommendations make sense in your practice setting?	