



Regional Guideline Activities Australasia

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Challenges for Guideline Developers and Implementers in Australian and New Zealand

Outline

- Describe the existing infrastructures
- Identify themes for professionalising development and implementation
- Local adaptation issues – and meeting the needs of different cultural groups

What is happening in NZ?

- Growing enthusiasm for evidence based culture in health and disability sector
- NZGG – set up with small base contract and then topics funded separately
- ACC
- JBI
- Other developing agencies
- Electronic decision support

What is happening in Australia ?

- Development
 - No single agency
- Quality endorsement
 - Changing role of the NHMRC
- Electronic adaptation & E.D.S.S.
 - Standards & cost
- Implementation
 - N.I.C.S.; State based groups

Electronic Decision Support

- Integration into disparate clinical software
 - Lack of agreed standards
 - Knowledge providers differ in approaches
- Proposal for trans-Tasman technical working group
- Who pays?
 - No consistent approach

Ways of operating

- Role of consumers and sector interest groups
- New Zealand
 - Treaty of Waitangi
 - Pacific peoples
- Priority for implementation
- Some examples

Moving beyond CPG development

- Focus on getting evidence into practice
- Reshaping traditional thinking and accessing new resources to get evidence messages across (eg different types of people taking on new roles) – Examples

Opportunities for working together

- Women's hospital association initiative
- Other possibilities – cardiovascular; cancer; renal
- NZGG and NICS collaborating on implementation projects

Summary

- Access to international clinical practice guidelines for adaptation
- Sharing ideas and experience on successful implementation strategies
- International collaboration on the design of electronic decision support infrastructure and protocols
- Keeping connected