

## **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!