



Research project summary

Stakeholder Engagement in Guideline Development

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The overarching purpose of this project is to identify how and when to engage stakeholders in guideline development and develop a framework for evaluating stakeholder involvement. Stakeholders include all those whose input can enhance the relevance and uptake of guidelines and includes patients, policymakers, practitioners, and guideline developers. This project will result in systematic reviews of a) barriers and facilitators to engaging stakeholders in guideline development, b) methods for engaging stakeholder in guideline development, c) the impact of stakeholder engagement in guideline development, and d) issues related to conflicts of interest when engaging stakeholder groups in guideline development. We will conduct key informant interviews and a Delphi survey to develop preliminary guidance for stakeholder engagement that will be debated at a face-to-face consensus meeting with stakeholders. This guidance on how to identify, engage, and involve stakeholders in guideline development will be used to develop an evaluation framework for stakeholder engagement in guideline development.

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