

CPG TOPIC PROPOSAL FORM

CAG members interested in submitting topics for consideration are invited to submit a proposal using this form. Proposals can be submitted anytime and will be evaluated by the Clinical Affairs Committee in the Spring and Fall meetings of each year.

Topic Proposal Form for New CAG Clinical Practice Guidelines

Instructions

CAG members are invited to use this form to propose a topic for new CAG-developed Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG). Proposed topics are reviewed by the CAG Clinical Affairs Committee. When prioritizing topics, the committee considers the following:

- Is the guideline topic important for gastroenterologists (e.g., because of disease prevalence, impact of the disease on patients, high resource use or other factors)?
- Would guidelines address uncertainty regarding optimal practice or unexplained variation in clinical practice?
- Would guidelines address an underserved population or under-recognized health problem (i.e., potentially change clinical practice in ways that would improve health equity)?
- Is there published evidence to inform the proposed guideline (not necessarily randomized controlled trials)?
- Is the topic adequately addressed by existing guidelines, and/or has the evidence base evolved since the publication of prior guidelines?
- Does the topic have strategic importance for the CAG's mission?
- Would guidelines present the opportunity to synergize with other strategic initiatives within CAG?

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This form captures basic information needed by the committee to evaluate the suitability of the topic for CAG guidelines. If reviewed and approved by the CAG Clinical Affairs Committee, CAG leadership must approve all individuals to serve on the guideline panel. All panel members must abide by CAG policies including with respect to conflict of interest, confidentiality, and publication.

The timeline for guideline development will depend on many factors including scope, availability of CAG resources to support the project, availability and enthusiasm of volunteer experts, and availability of methodologists to conduct the systematic evidence review. Typically, CAG guidelines are planned to be completed within 18 months to two years.

Non-CAG members who wish to propose a topic must team with a current CAG member.

Topic:

Corresponding Applicant:

Other Applicants:

Sponsoring CAG Member, if Applicable:

Submission Date:

Author Information

1. Contact information for corresponding applicant

Institution:

Email:

2. If CAG undertakes development of a guideline on this topic, would you be interested in serving on the guideline panel? Yes No

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Author Information (continued)

3. Are you an employee of a for-profit healthcare company that markets products that could be affected by guidelines on this topic? Yes No

If yes, please describe:

4. Are you leading research relevant to this guideline topic? Yes No

If yes, please describe:

5. Have you been an author on previous guidelines on the same topic? Yes No

If yes, please describe:

Scope

1. Describe the disease or condition to be addressed by guidelines. Consider if the scope could be limited to subtypes of the disease or risk groups:

2. Which age group would be addressed? (Check all that apply.)

Infants

Adults

Children and Adolescents

Elderly Adults

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Scope (continued)

3. If applicable, describe other special populations or subgroups to be addressed, e.g., pregnant women, patients with co-occurring conditions:
4. If applicable, describe populations that should be excluded from the scope and explain why:
5. Which aspect of clinical care is to be addressed by guidelines? (Check all that apply.)

Screening

Prophylaxis

Diagnosis

Treatment

Management of Adverse Effects

Other:

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Abstract

Describe your proposed topic in <250 words, including the primary clinical question(s) to be addressed by guidelines. Please suggest a rationale for CAG to address this topic with guidelines.

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Other Available Guidelines on This Topic

Please list available guidelines on this topic. Include title, year of publication, sponsoring organization, and URL.

How will new guidelines by CAG complement existing guidelines? Consider the clinical utility of existing guidelines (setting, scope, format), their quality (rigor of methodology, transparency, currency), and the credibility of the authors and sponsoring organization.