SAGE GUIDELINE TOOLKIT

PURPOSE

The SAGE Guideline Toolkit (https://guidelinetoolkit.org.za/) is a free, comprehensive, online resource which draws on up-to-date tools and resources on clinical practice guidelines (CPGs). It describes the approach to follow to identify and assess existing CPGs, how to adopt, adapt or implement existing CPGs, and links to resources for CPG *de novo* (new) development.

The toolkit focuses on low- and middle-income settings where it is often not feasible to develop *de novo* CPGs which are advised where there are no current guidelines available to answer the required clinical-care questions. However, where there are up-to-date, high-quality guidelines available from other countries or settings, researchers should consider adapting, adopting or contextualising these. The toolkit describes the considerations and procedures for deciding when to do what in a stepwise process.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The toolkit is targeted at healthcare professionals who are interested in CPG development or serve on guideline-development panels, as well as methodologists who provide input and leadership in the development of CPGs. The resource can also be for training about CPGs.





WHAT DOES THE TOOLKIT CONTAIN

The toolkit contains user-friendly information on:

- What are CPGs?
- How to develop a CPG
- Disseminating and implementing CPGs
- Monitoring and evaluating CPGs

PROJECT SAGE

The Guideline Toolkit is an output of Project SAGE, an innovative partnership which aims to enhance the quality of primary healthcare by engaging in a stakeholder-driven process to improve the standards of local CPG development, adaptation, contextualisation and implementation.

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