

Survey Questions: Section A

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| A1. | Please identify your position in the practice |
| A2. | Please identify your nursing subspecialty* |
| A3. | Please describe your role in the practice |

*Only asked to nurses

Survey Questions: Section B

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| B1. | Do you refer to clinical practice guidelines in direct patient care in your practice or programs? |
| B2. | Do physicians refer to clinical practice guidelines in direct patient care in your practice or programs? |
| B3. | Identify up to three guidelines that you refer to most often |
| B4. | How do you and members of your practice typically reference guidelines in your practice or programs? |
| B5. | What sources does your practice use to stay up-to-date on guidelines? |
| B6. | How do members of your practice know of changes made to guidelines? |
| B7. | Please identify up to three barriers preventing physician knowledge of or access to guidelines. |
| B8. | Please identify up to three of the top factors that facilitate knowledge of or access to guidelines. |

Survey Questions: Section C

Question

Respondents were asked to choose: Strongly Disagree, Disagree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Agree, Strongly Agree

- C1.
1. Guidelines are generally easy to follow
 2. Guidelines are developed by credible researchers
 3. Guidelines formulated by payers are credible
 4. Guidelines are accurate and comprehensive syntheses of relevant literature
 5. Guidelines are developed and updated on a regular basis
 6. Guidelines serve an important role in ensuring high-quality care
 7. Guidelines are free of academic, commercial, and payer bias
 8. Guidelines provide the right amount of information to assist in clinical decision-making
 9. Implementing guidelines is generally cost-beneficial to patients
 10. Guidelines are useful in making decisions for the patients seen in my practice

Survey Questions: Section C (cont'd.)

Question

Respondents were asked to choose: Strongly Disagree, Disagree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Agree, Strongly Agree

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| C1. | 11. Guidelines affect physician autonomy to practice medicine
12. Guideline adherence generally leads to better patient outcomes
13. Guidelines are often too complicated to implement in clinical practice
14. Guideline adherence impacts physician reimbursement
15. Guidelines interfere with physicians' daily routines
16. Physicians should follow guidelines |
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| C2. | What does your practice gain by following or not following guidelines? |
| C3. | What does your practice lose by following or not following guidelines? |

Survey Questions: Section D

Question

Respondents were asked to choose: Strongly Disagree, Disagree, Neither Agree nor Disagree, Agree, Strongly Agree

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| D1. | <p><i>I am/a physician is less likely to...</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ...adopt guidelines that have conflicting or controversial recommendations. ...adopt guidelines that require a significant change of practice. ...reference guidelines when pressed for time. |
| D2. | <p><i>I am/a physician is comfortable using...</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> ...lower evidentiary-based guidelines ...'opinion' or 'consensus-based' guidelines |
| D3. | Physicians I work with use guidelines developed or provided by payers. |

Question

Respondents were asked to choose: Never, Rarely, Sometimes, Often, All of the Time

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| D4. | How often does your practice create its own guidelines or protocols for certain conditions? |
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Survey Questions: Section D (cont'd.)

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| D5. | For which conditions does your practice typically create your own guidelines? |
| D6. | How are cases where different guidelines offer conflicting guidance resolved? |
| D7. | Are there any disagreements within your practice as to which guidelines to follow? |
| D8. | Who in your practice has the ultimate or final authority on guideline usage? |

Question

Respondents were asked to choose: Never, Rarely, Sometimes, Often, All of the Time

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| D9. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I document my/a physician documents their use of guidelines 2. I document/a physician documents why they choose not to comply with guidelines. |
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Survey Questions: Section D (cont'd.)

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D10.	How do you/a physician document guideline use?
D11.	Does your practice collect data on guideline compliance as a means of assessing the quality of care provided?
D12.	Does your practice have institutional benchmarks for guideline compliance?
D13.	Identify the guideline formats you/a physician prefers to use most.
D14.	Are you/ is a physician more likely to reference guidelines to treat certain types of cancer?
D15.	If yes, what type of cancer is a physician most likely to refer to guidelines when treating?
D16.	Are you / is a physician more likely to refer to guidelines during treatment of certain stages of cancer?

Survey Questions: Section D (cont'd.)

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| D17. | <p>Out of 100 patient encounters, identify the proportion of patient encounters during which you use/a physician uses guidelines:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. _____% Refer to and follow guidelines 2. _____% Refer to and do not follow guidelines 3. _____% Do not refer to but follow guidelines 4. _____% Do not refer to or follow guidelines 5. I don't know |
| D18. | <p>You answered that you/ a physician refer to guidelines but does not follow guidelines (X) percent of the time. Please identify up to three barriers or reasons preventing you/ a physician from following guidelines</p> |
| D19. | <p>You answered that you/ a physician does not refer to guidelines but follows guidelines (X) percent of the time. Please identify the reason why you/ a physician does not refer to guidelines</p> |
| D20. | <p>You answered that you / a physician does not refer to or follow guidelines (X) percent of the time. Please identify up to three barriers or reasons preventing you/ a physician from referring and following guidelines</p> |

Survey Questions: Section D (cont'd.)

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| D21. | Please identify <u>up to three</u> factors that facilitate referring to and using guidelines. |
| D18. | How are payers encouraging physician adherence to guidelines? |

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