

Guidelines International Network Standards for Clinical Practice Guidelines

Title of the Guideline	Treatment of Hypertension in Adults Over Age 60 to Higher vs. Lower Targets: A Clinical Practice Guideline from the American College of Physicians and the American Academy of Family Physicians
Name of the Developing Organisation	American College of Physicians
Publication Date	January 17, 2017

Effective August 2013, GN is requesting voluntary reporting on the GN Guideline Standards¹ when a guideline is submitted for inclusion in the GN Library.

Is your organisation willing to complete the form to provide information to a reader about your guideline?

YES

NO •

If Yes, please complete the checklist on the next page.

The Guidelines International Network is a Scottish Guarantee Company incorporated under Company No. SC243691
Registered as a Scottish Charity No. SC034047
Registered Office: J. & H. Mitchell W.S., 51 Atholl Road, Pitlochry, Perthshire, PH16 5BU, UK

Qaseem A, Forland F, Macbeth F, Ollenschläger G, Phillips S, van der Wees P. Guidelines International Network: toward international standards for clinical practice guidelines. *Annals of Internal Medicine*. 2012;156(7):525-31. <https://annals.org/article.aspx?articleid=1103747>

G-I-N Standards & Description	Standard Achieved?	If Yes page number(s)/document where the information is available
<u>Scope of a Guideline</u> Guideline specifies its objective(s) and scope.	X YES • NO • Somewhat	See section <i>Guideline Focus and Target Population</i>
<u>Methods</u> Guideline clearly describes the methods used for the guideline development in detail.	X YES • NO • Somewhat	See section <i>Methods</i> See Appendix See ACP Methods paper (citation under additional comments)
<u>Evidence Reviews</u> Guideline uses systematic evidence review methods to identify and evaluate evidence related to the guideline topic.	X YES • NO • Somewhat	See section <i>Methods > Systematic Review of the Evidence</i> See Appendix
<u>Guideline Recommendations</u> Guideline recommendation clearly stated and based on scientific evidence of benefits; harms; and, if possible, costs.	X YES • NO • Somewhat	See section, <i>Recommendations</i> for rationale following each recommendation statement
<u>Rating of Evidence</u> Guideline uses a rating system to communicate the quality and reliability of the evidence.	X YES • NO • Somewhat	See Table 1 See section <i>Methods</i> See Appendix See ACP Methods paper (citation under additional

		comments)
G-I-N Standards & Description	Standard Achieved?	If Yes

The Guidelines International Network is a Scottish Guarantee Company incorporated under Company No. SC243691
Registered as a Scottish Charity No. SC034047
Registered Office: J. & H. Mitchell W.S., 51 Atholl Road, Pitlochry, Perthshire, PH16 5BU, UK

Qaseem A, Forland F, Macbeth F, Ollenschläger G, Phillips S, van der Wees P. Guidelines International Network: toward international standards for clinical practice guidelines. *Annals of Internal Medicine*. 2012;156(7):525-31. <https://annals.org/article.aspx?articleid=1103747>

Additional Comments

Methods paper: Qaseem A, Snow V, Owens DK, Shekelle P. The Development of Clinical Practice Guidelines and Guidance Statements of the American College of Physicians: Summary of Methods. *Annals of Internal Medicine*. 2010;153(3):194-