iCAHE Guideline Clearinghouse

iCAHE Checklist Score Sheet

Guideline:
Diagnosis, treatment and prevention of ankle sprains: an evidence-based clinical Guideline

Guideline Producer:
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Link:
http://bjsm.bmj.com/content/46/12/854.full.pdf+html

Score: 7/14

1. Availability
   Is the guideline readily available in full text? Yes
   Does the guideline provide a complete reference list? Yes
   Does the guideline provide a summary of its recommendations? No

2. Dates
   Is there a date of completion available? No
   Does the guideline provide an anticipated review date? No
   Does the guideline provide dates for when literature was included? Yes

3. Underlying evidence
   Does the guideline provide an outline of the strategy they used to find underlying evidence? No (not reproducible although the guideline does states ‘The full search strategy is available upon request.’)
   Does the guideline use a hierarchy to rank the quality of the underlying evidence? Yes
   Does the guideline appraise the quality of the evidence which underpins its recommendations? No (No recognized quality assessment tool was used)
   Does the guideline link the hierarchy and quality of underlying evidence to each recommendation? No

4. Guideline developers
   Are the developers of the guideline clearly stated? Yes
   Does the qualifications and expertise of the guideline developer(s) link with the purpose of the guideline and its end users? No (unclear)

5. Guideline purpose and users
   Are the purpose and target users of the guideline stated? Yes

6. Ease of use
   Is the guideline readable and easy to navigate? Yes