

iCAHE Guideline Quality Check List

Guideline: The diagnosis and treatment of acute Achilles tendon rupture; Guideline and evidence report (2009)

Guideline producer: American Academy of Orthopaedic surgeons

Link: <http://www.aaos.org/research/guidelines/atrguideline.pdf>

<http://www.jaaos.org/content/18/8/503.abstract> (Journal publication: *Journal of the American Academy of orthopaedic Surgeons*)

Availability	Comments
Is the guideline readily available in full text?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline provide a complete reference list?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline provide a summary of its recommendations?	Yes 1/(1)
Dates	
Is there a date of completion available?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline provide an anticipated review date	(1)
Does the guideline provide dates for when literature was included?	Yes (January 1966 - June 2009) 1/(1)
Underlying Evidence	
Does the guideline provide an outline of the strategy they used to find underlying evidence?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline use a hierarchy to rank the quality of the underlying evidence?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline appraise the quality of the evidence which underpins its recommendations?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline link the hierarchy and quality of underlying evidence to each recommendation?	Yes 1/(1)
Guideline developers	
Are the developers of the guideline clearly stated?	Yes 1/(1)
Does the qualifications and expertise of the guideline developer(s) link with the purpose of the guideline and its end users?	No 0/(1)
Guideline purpose and users	
Are the purpose and target users of the guideline stated?	Yes 1/(1)
Ease of use	
Is the guideline readable and easy to navigate?	Yes 1/(1)
Score	TOTAL 13/14

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