

iCAHE Guideline Quality Check List

Guideline: Guideline for the Management of Heart Failure: A Report of the American College of Cardiology Foundation/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines (2013)

Guideline producer: American College of Cardiology Foundation and the American Heart Association

Link: <http://circ.ahajournals.org/content/128/16/e240.short?rss=1&ssource=mfr>

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?	No 0/(1)
Dates	
Is there a date of completion available?	No 0/(1)
Does the guideline provide an anticipated review date	Yes 1/(1)
Does the guideline provide dates for when literature was included?	Yes 1/(1)
Underlying Evidence	
Search Strategy available here: http://assets.cardiosource.com/Methodology_Manual_for_ACC_AHA_Writing_Committees.pdf	
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?	No 0/(1)
Does the guideline link the hierarchy and quality of underlying evidence to each recommendation?	No 0/(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?	Yes 1/(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 10/14

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