

Appendix 1: Survey

1. How familiar are you with ACEP clinical policies?

- Not at all
- Slightly
- Somewhat
- Moderately
- Extremely

2. What are the levels of recommendations in an ACEP clinical policy?

(See screenshot below for snippet of discussion of recommendation levels that is published with every clinical policy)

Translation of Classes of Evidence to Recommendation Levels

Based on the strength of evidence grading for each critical question (ie, [Evidentiary Table](#)), the subcommittee drafted the recommendations and the supporting text synthesizing the evidence using the following guidelines:

3. What are the levels of evidence in an ACEP clinical policy?

(See screenshot below for snippet of discussion of classes of evidence that is published with every clinical policy)

Assessment of Classes of Evidence

Two methodologists independently graded and assigned a preliminary Class of Evidence for all articles used in the formulation of this clinical policy. Class of Evidence is

4. Have you heard of the following guideline appraisal tools?

Appraisal of Guidelines for Research and Evaluation tool (AGREE II)

- Yes
- No

National Guideline Clearinghouse Extent of Adherence to Trustworthy Standards Instrument (NEATS)

- Yes
- No

5. Have you used any of the following guideline appraisal tools

Appraisal of Guidelines for Research and Evaluation tool (AGREE II)

- Yes
- No

National Guideline Clearinghouse Extent of Adherence to Trustworthy Standards Instrument (NEATS)

- Yes
- No

I have used a different tool from those listed above:

- Yes (list tool) _____
- No

6. How often do you incorporate ACEP clinical policies, when relevant, into your daily patient care?

- Always (99/100)
- Nearly always (90/100)
- Very frequently (70–80/100)

- Frequently (60–70/100)
- Occasionally (40–50/100)
- Rarely (10–20/100)
- Very rarely (1/100)

7. How often do you incorporate other clinical practice guidelines, when relevant, into your daily patient care?

(Some examples of clinical practice guidelines are below. Note the question is asking about any clinical practice guideline aside from ACEP clinical policies and is not restricted to the use of the examples below)

Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2016 (SSC/SCCM/ESICM)

Guideline for Management of Patients with Ventricular Arrhythmias and the Prevention of Sudden Cardiac Death: 2017 (AHA/ACC/HRS)

American College of Rheumatology/Arthritis Foundation Guideline for the Management of Osteoarthritis of the Hand, Hip, and Knee: 2019

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