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| **RHC Glasgow guidance documents submission / review template.** |
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| **Domain**  | **Reviewing groups responsibility will be to check the following**[NHSGGC - Author Guidance (scot.nhs.uk)](https://www.clinicalguidelines.scot.nhs.uk/nhsggc-guidelines/nhsggc-guidelines/author-guidance/)  has further details and advice if required | **Checklist;**please initial the box below / add notes. For reviews, if the field is unchanged, just write “Done” & initial |
| Title of guidance |  |  |
| Scope & Purpose  | Confirm the need for this particular guidance. Guidance should have a clear title and short  sections  on objectives, scope & audience |  |
|   | Guidance documents **must** have a corresponding author who should be a permanent staff member, their email will be published with the guideline.  |  |
| Stakeholder Involvement  | The authors should represent all groups involved with the implementation of the guidance, or document they have consulted across relevant specialties and identify their representatives.  |  |
| Rigour of development  | The evidence base should be described, with references where possible. It is useful to supply links to relevant national guidance.   |  |
|  | Relevant Datix report / SAE / M&M / FAI recommendations **must** be considered. |  |
|   | An implementation plan should be defined for any practice changes and criteria for their review noted. This is a lead author responsibility. If not required this should be documented  |  |
|    | Advice affecting clinical services requires a review date (default = 3 years). The clinical governance group may instruct web page editors to un-publish documents that are overdue review.   |  |
| Clarity of presentation  | Any clinical advice should be specific in terms of the target patient population. If advice is embedded in a flowchart, please supply keywords in order users can locate this easily. |  |
|   | The key recommendations should be clear and unambiguous  |  |
|   | There should be an identified point of contact for further assistance, telephone/dect or email. (24h) |  |
| Applicability  | It should be clear to which areas the guidance applies, or does NOT apply (noting / linking to related guidance can be helpful). It should be clear who the intended users are  |  |
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| Editors / other notes |  |

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