

Dear Colleague,

At the [National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence](#), we know that it is important that members of the public know about our guidance, to help them to understand the care and treatment that the best evidence suggests that they should receive. We also know that there is more work needed to promote understanding and awareness of evidence based guidelines amongst the public, and we are hoping that you will be able to help us to do this.

To help us improve how we do this, NICE is conducting a survey to collect information on what patients and the public think of the way our current guidance is presented. We would be very grateful if you could complete a [short questionnaire](#) asking about your knowledge and experience of using our clinical guidelines. The questionnaire is a mixture of multiple choice questions and opportunities to provide more detailed replies. The survey should continue running throughout August and September.

This survey is part of a larger study, [DECIDE](#), which is a five-year collaborative project funded by the European Commission's 7th Framework Programme and is designed to research and improve the way healthcare evidence and recommendations are presented in clinical guidelines.

We would like to collect as many responses as possible to this survey. I would be very grateful if you could help distribute the link to this survey, by

- Filling in one of our surveys yourself or
- Posting the link to a blog or a news feed for your organisation or
- Sharing the link on your Facebook or Twitter feeds or
- Sending the link to anyone you think might be interested in the survey.

Thank you very much for your help,
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