

ECRI Guidelines Trust®

A centralized repository of objectively vetted clinical practice guidelines

Trustworthy clinical practice guidelines are essential to medical professionals who need to deliver safe and effective patient care. In November 2018, ECRI launched the ECRI Guidelines Trust® (EGT) to fill the void created by the closure of the federally funded National Guideline Clearinghouse (NGC). As the sole prime contractor for NGC for 20-plus years, ECRI was uniquely positioned to build upon that legacy by summarizing guidelines and appraising them against the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Standards for Trustworthy Guidelines.

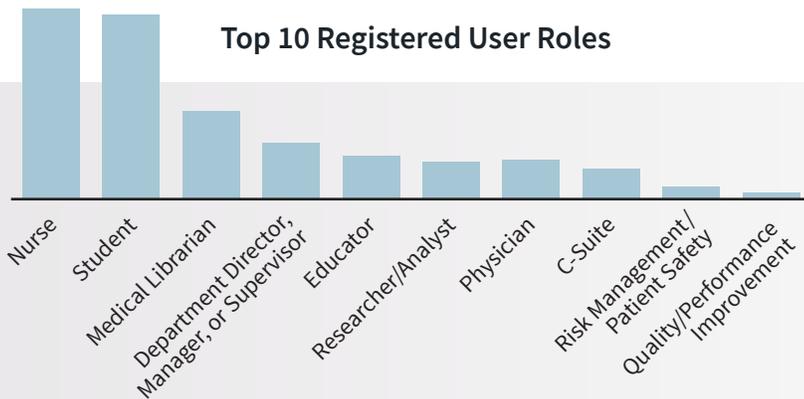
ECRI's repository of expertly vetted clinical practice guidelines is a free public website that is user-friendly and inclusive of the most current guideline content in a variety of formats. It was designed with convenience in mind and helps users eliminate search obstacles, guiding them directly to the information they need, and fast.

EGT now hosts more than 1,600 guidelines from 183 nationally and internationally recognized medical specialty societies and health care organizations. Additional proprietary offerings only available through EGT include more than 600 Guideline Briefs, TRUST Scorecards, and Guideline Snapshots from its 77 participating guideline developers. Specifically, EGT's TRUST Scorecard evaluates the rigor and transparency of a guideline's adherence to the IOM Standards for Trustworthy Guidelines. ECRI evaluations are unbiased and free from industry influence.

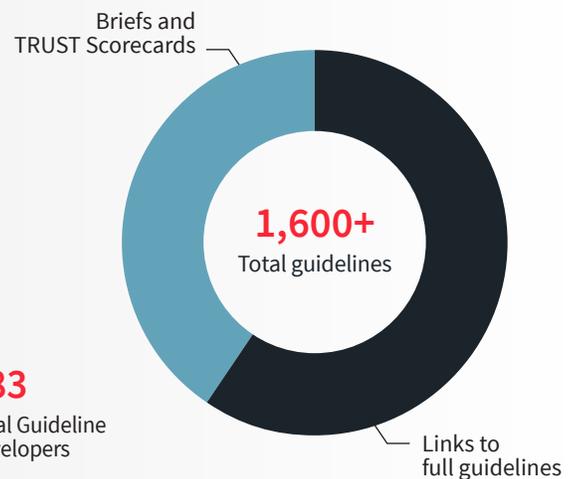
“ECRI has a long and reputable history of working as contractor of the National Guideline Clearinghouse, and now as the developer of the ECRI Guidelines Trust, continues to maintain high standards for clinical practice guidelines. Their recent initiative to develop a “scorecard” for meeting high guideline standards is a major step forward. To my knowledge, they are the only organization moving in this direction, and I heartily support their guideline initiative.”

— Dr. Sheldon Greenfield
Chair, Committee on Standards for Developing Trustworthy Clinical Practice Guidelines, IOM (2009 – 2011)

Top 10 Registered User Roles



Guideline Categories



 **13,000+**
Registered Users

 **100+**
Countries and Territories Represented in User Base

 **183**
Total Guideline Developers

ECRI Guidelines Trust delivers up-to-date content found nowhere else

Guidelines are vetted against inclusion criteria to provide current evidence underpinned by a systematic review.



Guideline Briefs: Succinct summaries of full-text guidelines meeting inclusion criteria



TRUST (Transparency and Rigor Using Standards of Trustworthiness) Scorecards: Assessments of the extent to which guidelines meet the 2011 IOM Standards for Trustworthy Guidelines



Guideline Snapshots: Screening tool used to quickly assess a guideline's focus, patient population, intended users, and major interventions



Links to full-text guidelines: For those guidelines which either do not meet our inclusion criteria, or for which we have not yet secured permission from the developer to create Briefs and Scorecards



Up-to-date content: No archived or outdated guidelines posted; EGT's content promotes current and safe practices

What users are saying

ECRI conducted a survey in 2019 to obtain a true measure of the impact of this evidence-based clinical guidance. Respondents' comments point to value in these seven areas:

- Teaching tool** “Nursing school librarians recommend it for nursing students”
- Makes their jobs easier** “Excellent resource for evidence-based patient care”
- Convenient to use** “A one-stop-shop! Great repository of guidelines. Easy to use”
- Up-to-date** “Appreciate the currency of the guidelines”
- High-quality content** “Highly trusted as it has a robust assessment process”
- Trustworthy** “ECRI is an excellent source of impartial information on practice guidelines”
- Uniqueness** “The only place to go for comprehensive guidelines”

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About ECRI

ECRI is an independent, nonprofit organization improving the safety, quality, and cost-effectiveness of care across all healthcare settings. With a focus on patient safety, evidence-based medicine, and health technology decision solutions, ECRI is the trusted expert for healthcare leaders and agencies worldwide. The Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) is an ECRI affiliate. Visit ecri.org and follow @ECRI_Org.



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