

UEG Endorsement of Guidelines

UEG supports the development of high-quality clinical guidelines and provides endorsement to initiatives that meet the below criteria:

- The request for endorsement must be submitted to UEG at the outset / early stages of the project (in any case before the Delphi process has started).
- The guideline must be in English.
- The guideline has a European/International applicability.
- The guideline initiative is endorsed by at least one [UEG Specialist Member Society](#).
- A current [UEG Quality of Care Committee Member](#) is actively involved in the guideline development process, based on expertise. This representative can be suggested by the applicant or be nominated by UEG.
- The development of the guideline must not be funded by industry.
- The guideline development process follows recommended standards and practices, in particular the [UEG framework for the development of high-quality clinical guidelines](#).¹
- The guideline development group must involve relevant societies and experts and have appropriate gender balance.
- The finished guideline must be provided to the [UEG Quality of Care Committee](#) before submitting it for publication to make a final decision whether UEG endorsement is still legitimate.

UEG may decline endorsement requests without giving a reason. Endorsement may be withdrawn at any time if the above-mentioned criteria are not met.

Once finished, UEG offers the following dissemination options:

- Submission for publication in UEG Journal is encouraged
- Creation of a short and interactive version of the guideline for the [GI Guidelines app](#). The guideline development group lead agrees to assist in this process.
- Publication on the UEG website as part of the [UEG Standards & Guidelines Repository](#).
- Presentation on occasion of UEG Week (upon decision of the UEG Scientific Committee).

To submit a request for endorsement, please complete the [online application form](#). The [UEG Quality of Care Committee](#) (QC) aims to review your application with 4 weeks. After positive evaluation, a letter of endorsement stating the rights and obligations of the endorsement recipient will be signed by both parties. The criteria for endorsement will be reviewed regularly and UEG reserves the right to adapt them if necessary.

If you are looking for funding for the development of the guideline, please refer to the [UEG Activity Grant](#).

In case of any questions, please contact Verena Wagner at the UEG Headquarters Management: v.wagner@ueg.eu.

¹ UEG framework for the development of high-quality clinical guidelines. Boltin D, Lambregts DM, Jones F, Siterman M, Bonovas S, Cornberg M, Khannoussi W, Doherty G; Quality of Care Taskforce, UEG. United European Gastroenterol J. 2020 Oct;8(8):851-864. doi: 10.1177/2050640620950854. Epub 2020 Sep 2. PMID: 32878577