

# AGREE II-Global Rating Scale (AGREE II-GRS) Instrument

## Instructions

The AGREE II-GRS Instrument consists of 5 items assessing how well the guideline is reported. The AGREE II-GRS is a reasonable guideline assessment tool alternative to, AGREE II, especially when time and resources are limited.

**Table 1: AGREE II-Global Rating Scale Item Descriptions** provides information about the contents in each item category.

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Element	Description
<b>Process of Development</b>	Rate the quality of the development process. Consider:  Were the appropriate stakeholders involved in the development of the guideline? Was the evidentiary base developed systematically? Were recommendations consistent with the literature? Was there consideration of alternatives, health benefits, harms, risks, and costs?
<b>Presentation Style</b>	Rate the quality of the guideline presentation style. Consider:  Was the guideline well organized? Were the recommendations easy to find?
<b>Completeness of Reporting</b>	Rate the quality of reporting. Consider:  1) The transparency and reproducibility of the guideline development process. 2) The completeness of information to inform decision making.
<b>Clinical Validity</b>	Rate the quality of the guideline recommendations. Consider:  Are the recommendations clinically sound? Are the recommendations appropriate for the intended patients?
<b>Overall Quality</b>	Rate the overall quality of the guideline. Consider:  Your response to the above four items.

