

Guidelines survey AMMI Canada

AMMI Canada would like to hear from its membership. What are your learning needs and how could the work of the Guidelines committee be of most use to you?

Please help us target the work of the Guidelines committee by completing the following survey. We anticipate that it will take no more than 10 minutes to complete.

We recognize that your time is valuable. To thank you for completing this survey, we will send a \$10 Tim Horton's giftcard to each member who completes the survey.

Please complete this survey by November 16, 2016.

Before starting the survey, would you like to know more about the AMMI Canada Guidelines Committee?

- Yes
 No

Background Info:

What we do

The AMMI Canada guidelines committee develops guidelines, guidance, position statements, practice points and concise reviews on urgent or vital topics for AMMI Canada regarding any aspect of the diagnosis and management of infectious diseases, and use of diagnostic testing and antimicrobial therapy in Canada through advocacy, expert consultation, networking and collaborative research in the broad field of infectious diseases as deemed appropriate by the Committee and as directed by Council.

Examples of previous guidelines

Ebola virus Care Guideline
AMMI Canada Choosing Wisely
Seasonal influenza guidance
Position statement on Initiation of ARV Therapy for HIV infected adults.

What is a guideline?

AMMI Canada guidelines are co-ordinated through the committee from needs determined by AMMI Canada or individual or group stakeholders. Guidelines may also be developed in collaboration with other organizations such as: IDSA, SHEA and CTS. They are meant to provide a review and recommendations for the diagnosis and management of various issues pertinent to AMMI Canada.

What is a position paper?

An AMMI Canada position paper is a statement outlining the official position of AMMI Canada on various issues of relevance to AMMI Canada members and the society as a whole when those issues touch on matters related to the professional activities of AMMI Canada and its members.

Please indicate your area of practice. If you have multiple areas of practice, please use the "Other" field and list them there.

- Infectious Disease (adult)
- Infectious Disease (paediatric)
- Microbiologist
- Clinical Scientist
- Basic Scientist
- Epidemiologist
- Resident in Medical Microbiology
- Resident in Clinical Microbiology
- Resident in Adult Infectious Diseases
- Resident in Paediatric Infectious Diseases
- Allied Health Professional
- Medical Microbiology/Infectious Disease
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

Education (choose one or more as appropriate)

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- M.D. or equivalent
 - Ph.D
 - Other (please specify)

Please specify

Where is your main practice based?

-
- Academic (University / Teaching Hospital)
 - Community Based Hospital
 - Office Based
 - Government Based
 - Industry Based
 - N/A
 - Other (please specify)

Please specify

How many years have you been in practice?

-
- 1-5
 - 6-10
 - 11-20
 - over 20
 - N/A

Which of the following best describes where you spend the majority of your professional time?

- Clinical Care - Patient Care
- Hospital Epidemiology
- Infection Control
- Laboratory Medicine
- Research - Basic Science
- Clinical Research
- Education
- Administration

Please tell us your age:

- Under 25
- 25-35
- 36-45
- 46-60
- over 60

Which of the following best describes the area where you spend the majority of your professional time?

- Rural (population < 50,000)
- Urban (population > 50,000)

Please choose which of the following statements best describes your view of guidelines:

- I rely heavily on guidelines
- I use guidelines often
- I use guidelines sometimes
- I refer to guidelines when I am telling my trainees or patients why I am deviating from them
- I do not use/value guidelines, but think they are helpful to others
- Guidelines are not something that applies to my type of practice
- Guidelines are useless

Please share comments you have with regards to guidelines and their use in your practice (optional)

Who should be the AMMI Canada guideline committee's target audience?

- General public
- Family doctors
- Internists
- Paediatricians
- ID doctors
- Medical microbiologists
- All AMMI Canada members
- Other

Please specify.

What types of guidelines or associated documents should the AMMI Canada guideline committee be producing? (check all that apply)

- Comprehensive clinical guidelines for the Canadian context
- Shorter amendments to European or American guidelines for the Canadian context
- Position statements or short subjects
- AMMI Canada endorsements of other organizations' guidelines
- Other (please specify)

Please specify.

Have you used an AMMI Canada guideline before?

- Yes
- No

If yes - why? (check all that apply)

- It was the only guideline that covered the topic I needed
- It was the most relevant guideline that covered the topic I needed
- I have a free subscription
- The guideline is easily accessible online
- I like having the Canadian perspective
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

If no - why not?

- I think other groups have better guidelines
- I didn't know AMMI Canada had guidelines
- Guidelines are not used in my type of professional practice
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

Which other organizations' guidelines have you used before? Please select your Top 3 choices. If one of your Top 3 choices is not there, please select "other" and specify that organization.

- Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS)
- Surgical Infection Society
- British Thoracic Society (BTS)
- American Thoracic Society (ATS)
- American Heart Association (AHA)
- Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)
- National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI)
- Committee to Advise on Tropical Medicine and Travel (CATMAT)
- Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

For your Top 3 organizations' guidelines, what are the elements that contribute to your preference for those guidelines? (Check all that apply)

If there are different key elements for different organizations' guidelines, please use the "Other" field to let us know.

- Up to date/current
- Easy to follow format
- Easy to access online
- Broadly accepted by my practice community/reflect standard of care
- Topics covered are relevant to my practice
- Well-written
- Strong literature review
- Evidence informed
- Practical
- Other (please specify)

Please specify other key elements, or use this box to clarify if there are different attributes among/between your Top 3 choices.

What are the essential elements that must be present for you to think "This is a good guidelines document"? (Check all that apply)

- Coming from a reputable organization
- Easily available online/easy to find
- Guideline development process is clearly stated
- Practical, clinically relevant recommendations
- Concise albeit not comprehensive
- Recommendations easy to find and read in the document
- Comprehensive albeit not concise
- Other (Please specify)

Please specify

What topics would you like to see covered in an AMMI Canada guideline or practice point? (Check all that apply)

- C. difficile management
- Community-acquired pneumonia
- Indigenous health
- Hospital-acquired pneumonia
- Recurrent MRSA skin and soft tissue infections
- Antimicrobial stewardship
- Travel medicine
- Influenza
- Other (Please specify)

Please specify

How do you want to access the AMMI Canada guidelines? (Check all that apply)

- Online, via the AMMI Canada website
- AMMI Canada guideline app on my smart phone or tablet
- Email to membership when new guideline released with link to website
- Published in the Journal of the Association of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Disease (JAMMI)- AMMI Canada's official journal
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

With regards to AMMI Canada guidelines and position papers, would you be interested in any of the following additional learning formats (check all that apply):

- The option to read an AMMI Canada guideline, take a short quiz, and then earn Maincert points
- A free, high-quality online module with an online quiz and Maincert points earned upon completion
- A session at the annual conference summarizing that year's AMMI Canada guidelines
- Other (please specify)

Please specify

To thank you for taking the time to complete this survey, we invite you to enter your e-mail address to receive a Tim Horton's e-giftcard.

Your e-mail address will not be associated with your survey answers, nor will your e-mail address be used for any purpose other than to send you your e-giftcard.

(email)

Interested in writing a guideline? Please email manager@ammi.ca with your proposal.

Thank you for your time in answering this survey. AMMI Canada will use the responses from this survey to inform policies and priorities in the development and dissemination of guidelines.