



IPDASi Assessment

Pilot stage: subject to evaluation

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“Promoting quality, transparency and credibility”



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International Patient Decision Aids Standards Instrument IPDASi: Pilot and Evaluation

Summary of IPDASi Assessment

Decision aids are assessed for quality in 10 dimensions:

- Information
- Probabilities
- Values
- Guidance
- Development
- Evidence
- Disclosure
- Plain Language
- Evaluation
- Test

The International Patient Decision Aids Standards (IPDAS) Collaboration is a group of researchers, practitioners and stakeholders from around the world. The Collaboration has developed an internationally approved set of criteria to determine the quality of patient decision aids (decision support interventions and technologies).

Given the increasing numbers of patient decision aids produced and available to the public, quality assessment is important to safeguard patients and to instill trust and confidence.

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Why should I use IPDASi Assessment?

Given the wide range of patient decision aids being developed by various groups, it is difficult for patients to know whether they can trust the decision aid to assist them with important decisions.

Increasingly, organisations wish to have independent assessment of their products by a recognised third party.

IPDASi can:

- Assess whether a decision aid has undergone a comprehensive and rigorous development;
- Provide assurance a decision aid has been considered against internationally agreed standards of quality.

How do I apply?

Send your request for a quote to:
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IPDASi is used to assess the quality of patient decision aids against internationally agreed criteria. IPDASi enables quality assessment at 10 broad dimensions. Our raters have been trained and calibrated to undertake these assessments.

The IPDASi assessment team is committed to promoting quality, transparency and credibility of patient decision aids. The service is currently in its pilot stage and in the interests of service improvement will be subject to evaluation.

Commitment to quality instilling trust & confidence

What will happen?

When we receive your request to assess your decision aid, we will contact you asking for further information in order to generate a personalised quote. Once we receive this and generate your quote we will send you an application pack.



If you are happy with the quote and would like to proceed, please return your completed application form to us.

We offer two levels of rating: Summative & Formative (see side panel for further details).

Quotes will depend on the level of rating selected and the complexity and size of the patient decision aid. All decision aids will be subject to a pre-assessment stage, in order to verify that your decision aid meets our working definition of a patient decision aid.



PRE-ASSESSMENT

The initial stage of assessment will determine whether the decision aid meets the internationally agreed definition of a patient decision aid.



SUMMATIVE FEEDBACK

Patient decision aid assessed using IPDASi, providing a summative assessment of content. You will be provided with a domain and global score, which can be compared against other decision aids that have been assessed.



FORMATIVE FEEDBACK

Patient decision aid assessed using IPDASi, providing a formative assessment for content. As with summative feedback you will be provided with global and domain scores. A written report will also highlight the domains that need to be improved to achieve a higher summative score. Written comments provide justification for scores and provide feedback on how item can be improved.

