

What's Happening Now?

The AAOS Board of Directors has approved the Clinical Practice Guideline (CPG) **Diagnosis and Treatment of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome.**

This CPG updates both the 2007 Clinical Practice Guideline on Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Diagnosis as well as the 2008 Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Treatment guideline. [Click here](#) to head over to [OrthoGuidelines](#) to view this and all of our other published guidelines.

Surveys

Help Us Create the Best Possible Guidelines!

Do you treat or refer for **Periprosthetic Joint Infections of the Hip and Knee**?
Please suggest topics for the upcoming guideline by clicking [here](#).

Do you treat or refer for **Rotator Cuff Tears**?
Please suggest topics for the upcoming guideline by clicking [here](#).

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Questions?

Should you have any questions or for further information, contact Erica Linskey at (847) 384-4339 or Linskey@aaos.org.

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Appropriate Use Criteria in Progress

Surgical Management of Osteoarthritis of the Knee—SMOAK

The Voting Panel will soon begin working.

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- Arthroscopy Association of North America
- J. Robert Gladden Society
- The Knee Society
- Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Society

Management of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome—CTS

Soliciting for the voting panel shortly—Contact [Erica Linskey](#) for more details.

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association for Hand Surgery
- American Academy of Neurology
- American Association of Neurological Surgeons
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American College of Surgeons
- American Society of Hand Therapists

Prevention of Orthopaedic Implant Infections in Patients Undergoing Dental Procedures—PUDP

The Voting Panel will soon begin working

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American Dental Association
- American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- The Knee Society

Clinical Practice Guidelines in Progress

Management of Osteoarthritis of the Hip—OA Hip

AAOS Staff is currently reviewing the literature for this Clinical Practice Guideline

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- American College of Radiology
- American Physical Therapy Association
- The Hip Society
- Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Society
- Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America

Management of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome—CTS

This guideline is entering the AAOS Approval Stage

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American Academy of Neurology
- American Academy for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association of Neurological Surgeons
- American Association of Plastic Surgeons
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American College of Radiology
- American Medical Association
- American Society of Hand Therapies
- American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Systematic Review in Progress

Management of Post-Operative Surgical Site Infections—SSI

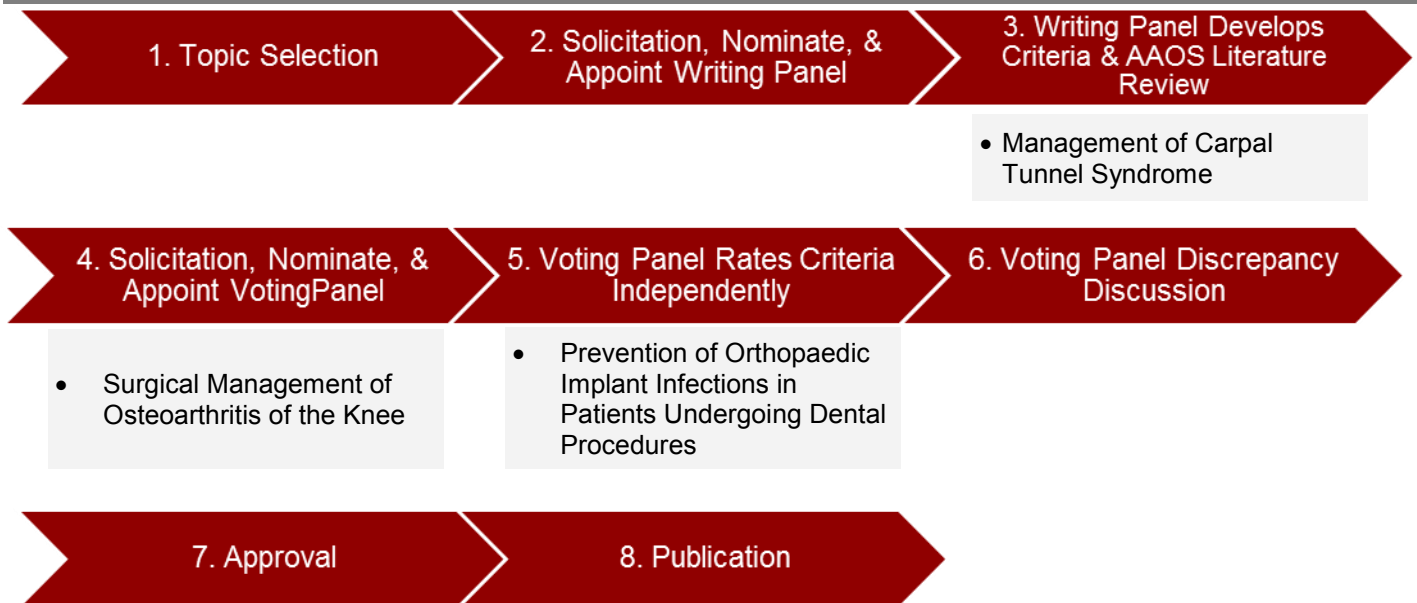
AAOS Staff is currently reviewing the literature for this Systematic Review

Participating Societies:

- American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- American College of Radiology
- American Orthopaedic Society of Sports Medicine
- American Physical Therapy Association
- Infectious Diseases Society of America
- Musculoskeletal Infection Society
- Orthopaedic Trauma Association
- Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America
- The Hip Society
- The Knee Society

Status of Current Projects

Appropriate Use Criteria



Published Appropriate Use Criteria

[Diagnosis and Treatment of Osteochondritis Dissecans](#)

Approved December 4, 2015

[Hip Fractures for Elderly Patients: Acute Treatment](#) and [Hip Fractures for Elderly Patients: Postoperative/Rehab](#)

Approved December 4, 2015

[Prevention of Anterior Cruciate Ligament Injuries](#) and [Treatment of Anterior Cruciate Ligament Injuries](#)

Approved October 2, 2015

[Pediatric Supracondylar Humerus Fractures with Vascular Injury](#)

Approved June 12, 2015

[Pediatric Supracondylar Humerus Fractures](#)

Approved September 5, 2014

[Non-Arthroplasty Treatment of Osteoarthritis of the Knee](#)

Approved December 6, 2013

[Optimizing the Management of Full-Thickness Rotator Cuff Tears](#)

Approved September 20, 2013

[Treatment of Distal Radius Fractures](#)

Approved March 18, 2013

Status of Current Projects

Clinical Practice Guidelines

1. Nominate Guideline Topic via Survey Topic Selection

2. Solicitation, Nominate, & Appoint Work Group

3. Formulate Questions

4. AAOS Staff Literature Review

5. Workgroup Assessment of Literature Findings

6. Develop Final Recommendations

- Management of Osteoarthritis of the Hip
- Post-Operative Surgical Site Infections Systematic Review

7. Peer Review Process & Review by Work Group

8. Public Comment

9. Approval, Communication, Dissemination, & Implementation

- Management of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Published Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines

Diagnosis and Treatment of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Approved February 29, 2016

Endorsed By:

- American College of Radiology
- American Society for Surgery of the Hand

Surgical Management of Osteoarthritis of the Knee

Approved December 4, 2015

Endorsed By:

- American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- American College of Radiology
- American Geriatric Society
- Arthroscopy Association of North America
- The Knee Society
- The Society of Military Orthopaedic Surgeons

Management of Hip Fractures in the Elderly

Approved September 5, 2014

Endorsed By:

- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists
- The American Geriatrics Society
- The Hip Society
- Orthopaedic Rehabilitation Association
- Orthopaedic Trauma Association
- United States Bone and Joint Initiative

Published Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines

Management of Anterior Cruciate Ligament Injuries

Approved September 5, 2014

Endorsed By:

- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- The American Orthopaedic Society for Sports and Medicine
- National Academy of Sports Medicine
- National Athletic Trainers Association

Management of Detection and Nonoperative Management of Pediatric Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip in Infants up to Six Months of Age

Approved September 5, 2014

Endorsed By:

- American Academy of Pediatrics
- The Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America
- The Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- The Society of Pediatric Radiology

Treatment of Osteoarthritis of the Knee

Approved May 18, 2013

Prevention of Orthopaedic Implant Infection in Patients Undergoing Dental Procedures

Approved December 7, 2012

Preventing Venous Thromboembolic Disease in Patients Undergoing Elective Hip and Knee Arthroplasty

Approved September 24, 2011

The Treatment of Pediatric Supracondylar Humerus Fractures

Approved September 24, 2011

Diagnosis and Treatment of Osteochondritis Dissecans

Approved December 4, 2010

Optimizing the Management of Rotator Cuff Problems

Approved December 4, 2010

Treatment of Symptomatic Osteoporotic Spinal Compression Fractures

Approved September 24, 2010

Diagnosis of Periprosthetic Joint Infections of the Hip and Knee

Approved June 18, 2010

Treatment of Distal Radius Fractures

Approved December 5, 2009

Diagnosis and Treatment of Acute Achilles Tendon Rupture

Approved December 4, 2009

Treatment of Glenohumeral Joint Osteoarthritis

Approved December 5, 2009

Treatment of Pediatric Diaphyseal Femur Fractures

Approved June 19, 2009

Endorsed By:

- Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America

Published Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines

Treatment of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Approved September 12, 2008

Endorsed By:

- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine
- American Association of Neurological Surgeons
- American Society of Plastic Surgeons
- Congress of Neurological Surgeons

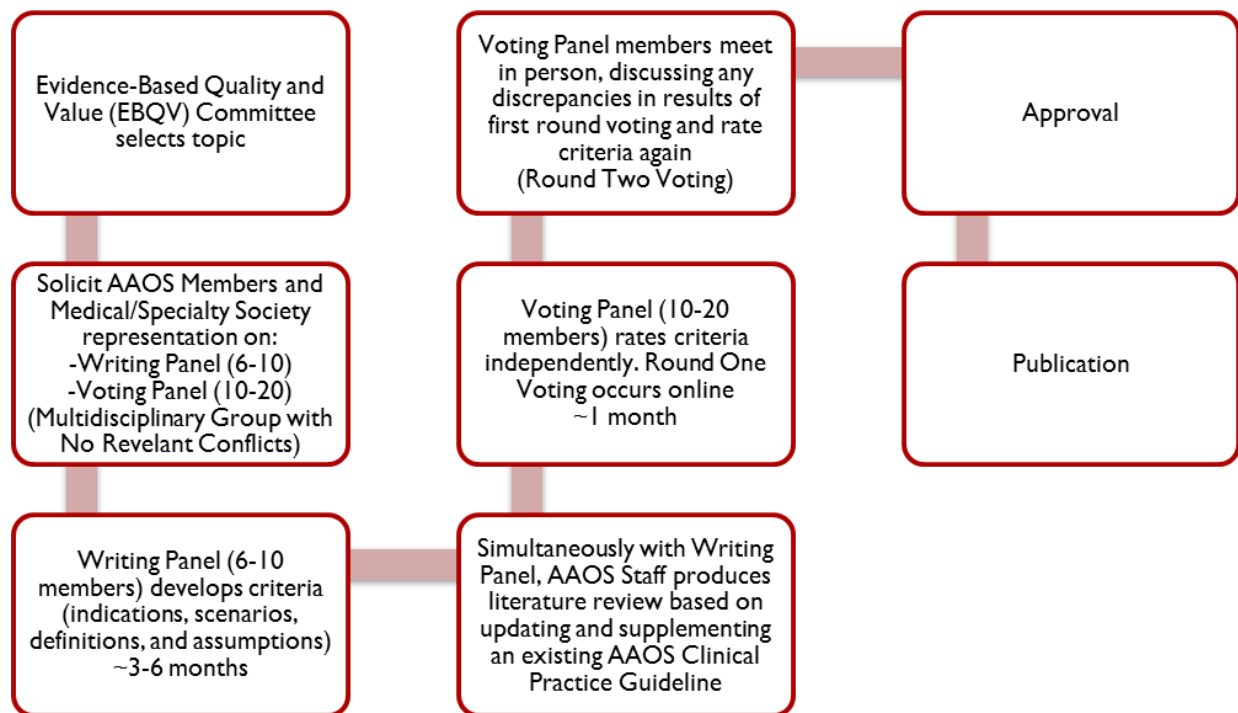
Diagnosis of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

Approved May 18, 2007

Endorsed By:

- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine
- American Society of Plastic Surgeons

Appropriate Use Criteria Process



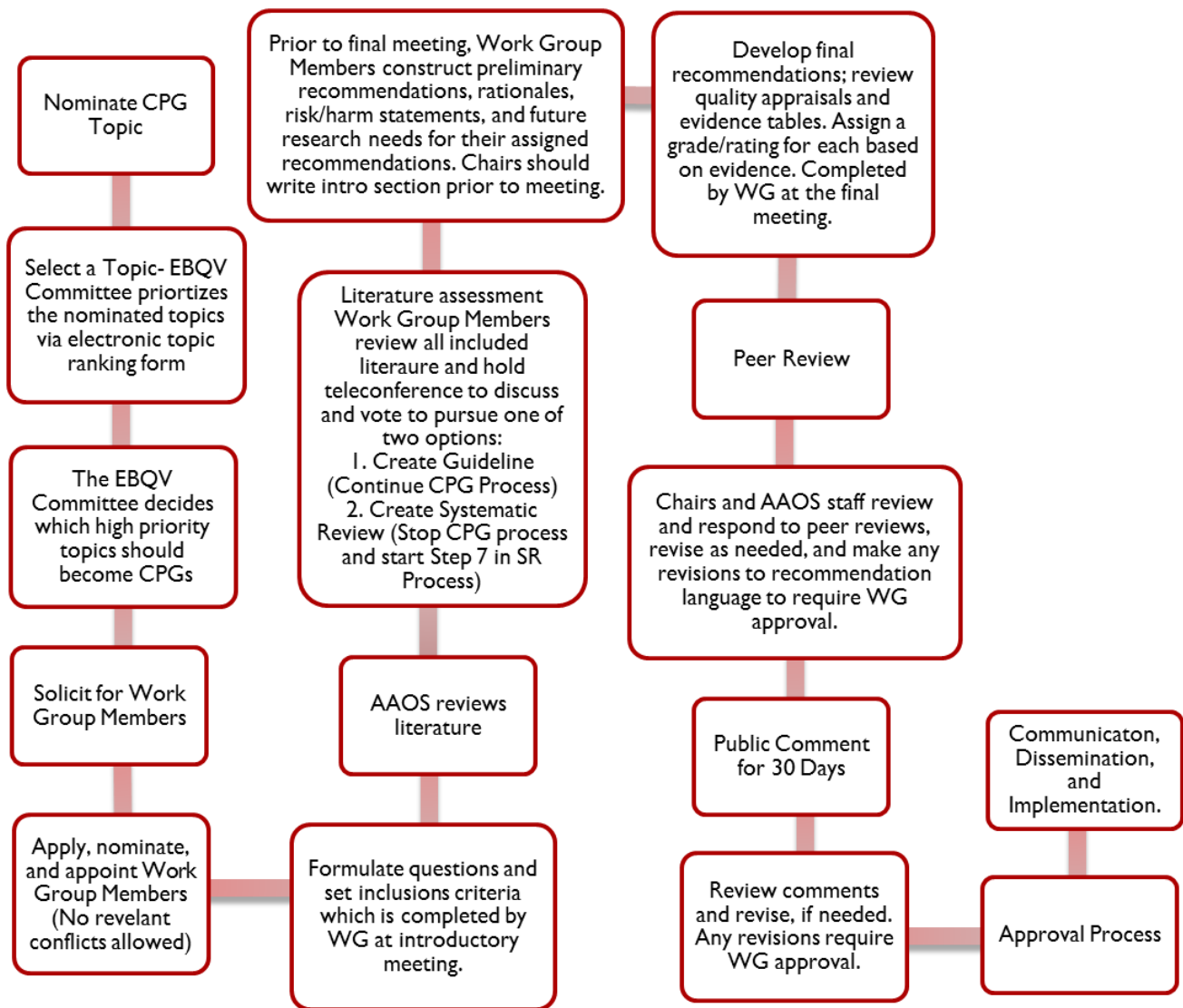
AUCs are based on CPGs and take about 1 year to complete

Approximate time for AUC completion from beginning to end, not including approval period, is 8-9 months

The final AUC is reviewed and approved by:

- AUC Section of EBQV Committee
- Council on Research and Quality
- AAOS Board of Directors

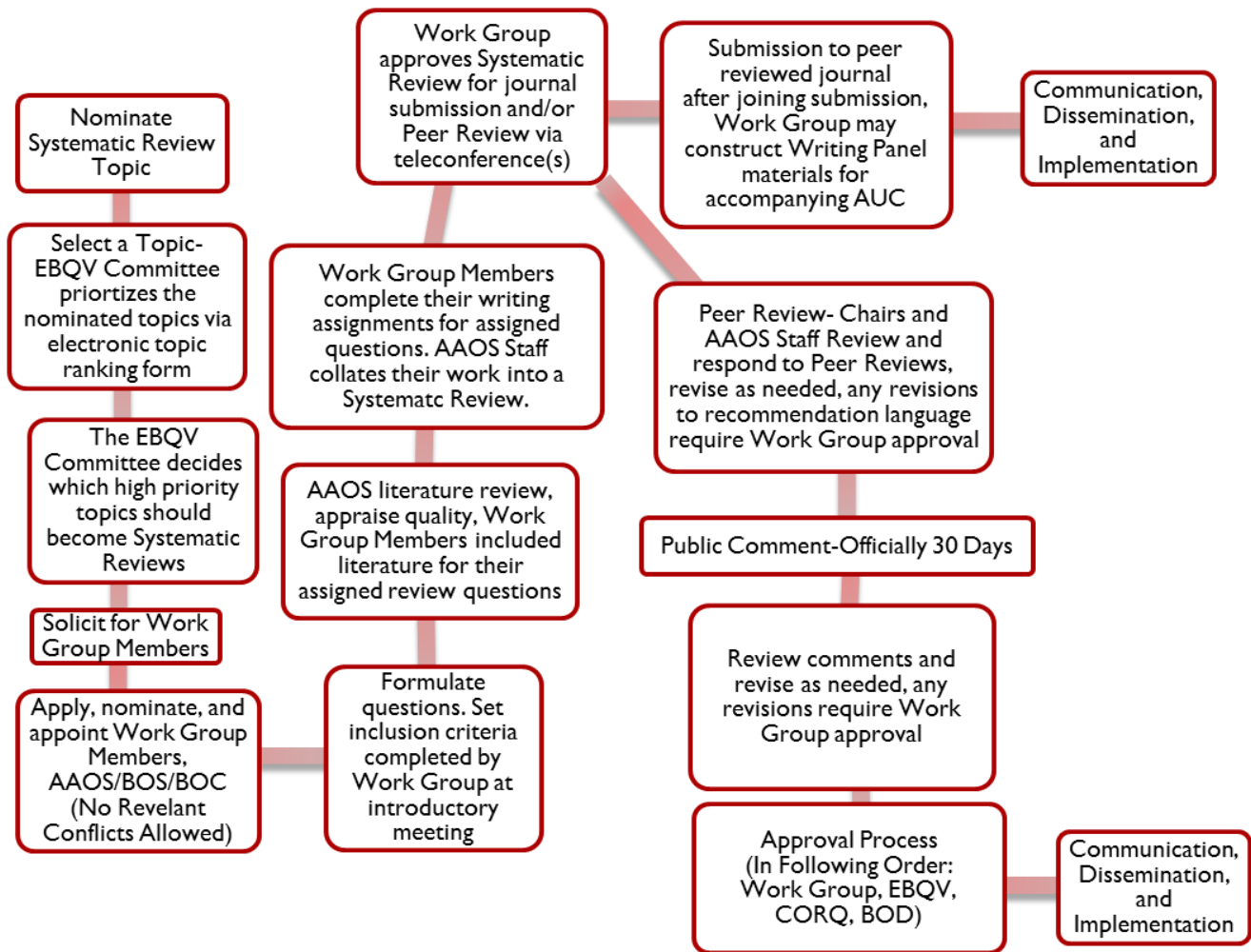
Clinical Practice Guidelines Process



The Final Clinical Practice Guideline is Reviewed and Approved by:

- Work Group
- Evidence-Based Quality and Value (EBQV) Committee
- Council on Research and Quality (CORQ)
- AAOS Board of Directors

Systematic Review Process



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