



Appendix 1

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Appendix 1. Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) methodology for recommendations*

Strength of recommendation using GRADE Methodology

Strong against Weak against Weak for Strong for



Within GRADE methodology there are 2 strengths of recommendation: Weak/conditional or Strong. The direction and strength of each recommendation is determined on the basis of four key factors: level of confidence in effect estimates (quality of evidence), balance between benefits and harms, uncertainty or variability in patients' preferences and values and resource considerations.

* Guyatt GH, Oxman AD, Vist GE, et al. GRADE Working Group. GRADE: an emerging consensus on rating quality of evidence and strength of recommendations. *BMJ* 2008;336:924-6.