SNO Guidelines Endorsement Policy

The Society for Neuro-Oncology (SNO) recognizes that other professional organizations may from time to time develop guidelines that would benefit the membership of SNO. The SNO Guidelines Committee is committed to systematically evaluating these documents and disseminating these documents to its membership as appropriate.

SNO will consider endorsement of clinical practice guidelines initiated by other professional organizations when relevant and appropriate to the mission and interests of SNO and its membership.

Criteria for Endorsement of Guidelines:

The following criteria will be applied to requests for SNO endorsement of clinical practice guidelines:

1. Endorsement of clinical practice guidelines from peer professional organizations will be considered upon formal request to SNO.
2. Such guidelines should be relevant and appropriate to the mission and interests of SNO and its membership.
3. Guidelines considered for endorsement should be based on a systematic review of the available evidence.
4. Acceptance for review by the SNO Guidelines Committee does not guarantee endorsement.
5. There should be an explicit statement of the purpose, methodology utilized and recommendations made.
6. An appropriate SNO member will be identified by the chairs of the Guidelines Committee to serve as a liaison for the drafting organization.
7. Guidelines recommended for endorsement by the SNO Guidelines Committee shall be submitted to the SNO Board of Directors for final approval.
8. A brief summary of endorsed guidelines will be prepared by the Guidelines Committee. This summary, along with links to the endorsed guidelines, will be provided to members on the SNO website.
9. Endorsements shall be periodically reviewed by the Guidelines Committee.
10. Endorsed guidelines may bear the SNO logo and a statement that SNO endorses all of the recommendations contained in the document.
11. Documents that are not recommended for endorsement may not bear the SNO logo nor a statement of official endorsement by SNO. However, the Guidelines Committee, at its discretion and with the approval of the SNO Board of Directors, may allow the drafting organization to include a statement in the document indicating that SNO affirms the value of the document as an educational tool.

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