Easy access to clinical practice guidelines

he College Library has updated our clinical practice guidelines web page (www.cpsbc.ca/registrants/ library/clinical-practice-guidelines) to curate current sources of clinical practice guidelines and ensure they are easy to find and use.

CPG Infobase, a key directory of Canadian practice guidelines, is no longer available (as of 1 December 2023). BC Guidelines and Canadian Network for Mood and Anxiety Treatments (CANMAT)

This article is the opinion of the Library of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC and has not been peer reviewed by the BCMJ Editorial Board. guidelines are still available. A new addition is the Guidelines International Network's International Guidelines Library, which includes Canadian, US, and UK guidelines. Filters may be used to locate guidelines in English and to sort by country of origin. Here are other new sources that may be used to quickly search for disease-focused guidelines:

BMJ Best Practice and DynaMed have links to guidelines included in each disease module.

ClinicalKey includes a guidelines search. College librarians have created a guidelines-specific search in Medline (Pub-Med). A link is provided on the Library's clinical practice guidelines web page. The Turning Research Into Practice (TRIP) database is also a new addition to the clinical practice guidelines web page. It is free to search and easy to limit search results to guidelines. Once citations have been found, some full-text content may be available for direct download, and more can always be requested from the Library.

As always, registrants may ask the Library to search for a current guideline on any topic. If you would like to request a search or suggest a source not currently included on the clinical practice guidelines web page, contact the Library at www.cpsbc.ca/registrants/library/make-request.

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