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ENCePP – Working Groups

Update on current activities

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1 ISPE - Good PEpi Practices	Good Pharmacoepidemiology Practices http://www.pharmacoepi.org/resources/guidelines_08027.cfm
2 IEA - Good Epi Practice	Good Epidemiology Practice http://www.dundee.ac.uk/iea/download/GEPNov07.pdf
3 CIOMS - Ethical GL for PEpi Studies	International Ethical Guidelines for Epidemiological Studies http://www.cioms.ch/080221feb_2008.pdf
4 STROBE - Reporting of Observational Studies	von Elm E. et al. - The Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (STROBE) Statement: Guidelines for Reporting Observational Studies. <i>Ann Intern Med.</i> 2007;147:573-577 Vandenbroucke J.P. et al. - Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (STROBE): Explanation and Elaboration. <i>Ann Intern Med.</i> 2007;147:W-163–W-194.
5 AHRQ - Patient Registries	Registries for Evaluating Patient Outcomes: A User's Guide http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/repFiles/PatOutcomes.pdf
6 ISPOR - Checklist for Retrospective DB studies	Motheral B, Brooks J, Clark MA, Crown WH, Davey P. A Checklist for Retrospective Database Studies - Report of the ISPOR Task Force on Retrospective Databases. <i>Value Health</i> 2003; 6(2): 90-97 www.ispor.org/TaskForces/RetrospectiveDBPractices.asp
7 DGEpi - Good Practices for Secondary Data Analysis	<i>Gute Praxis Sekundaerdatenanalyse</i> (Good Practices for Secondary Data Analysis) of the German Society for Epidemiology (DGEpi) www.dgepi.de/pdf/infoboard/stellungnahme/gps-version2-final.pdf

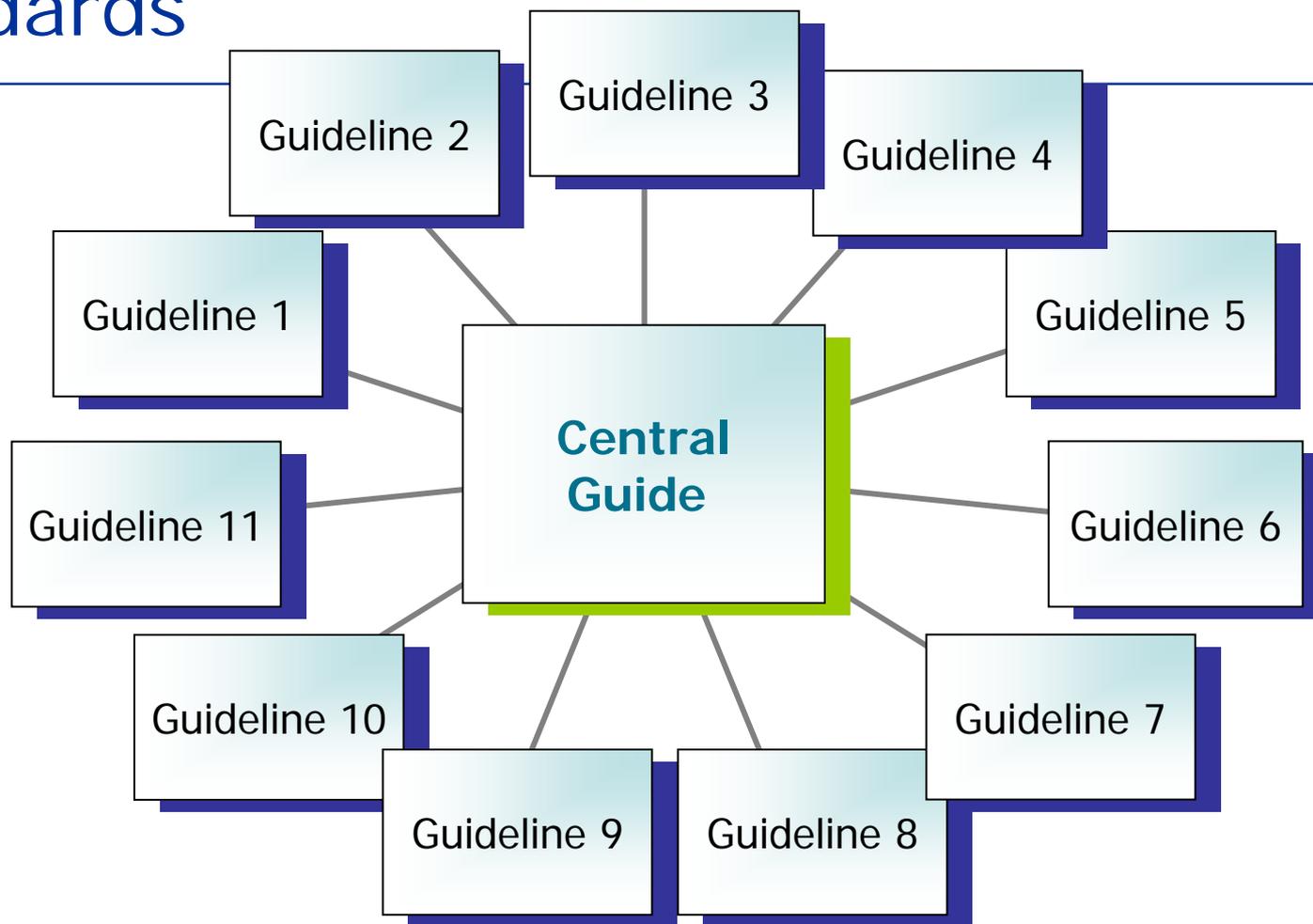


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8	ISPE/ISoP - GL for Publication of AE Reports	Kelly WN, Arellano FM, Barnes J, Bergman U, Edwards RI, Fernandez AM, et al. Guidelines for Submitting Adverse Event Reports for Publication. <i>Pharmacoepidemiology and Drug Safety</i> 2007(16):581-587. also published in <i>Drug Safety</i> 2007;30(5).
9	EuroDURG - Drug Utilisation Research Quality Indicators	Hoven JL, Haaijer-Ruskamp FM, Vander Stichele RH; DURQUIM Scientific Committee. Indicators of prescribing quality in drug utilization research: report of a European meeting (DURQUIM, 13-15 May 2004). <i>Eur J Clin Pharmacol.</i> 2005 Jan;60(11):831-4. http://www.eurodurg.com/durquim.htm : Recommendations of an European Expert Meeting on indicators of prescribing quality in drug utilization research (Recommendations on Methodology)
10	MOOSE - Reporting of Epi Meta-analyses	Stroup DF, Berlin JA, Morton SC, Olkin I, Williamson GD, Rennie D, Moher D, Becker BJ, Sipe TA, Thacker SB. Meta-analysis of observational studies in epidemiology: a proposal for reporting. Meta-analysis Of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (MOOSE) group. <i>JAMA</i> 2000;283(15):2008-12.
11	FDA - Good PhV Practices	Guidance for Industry - Good Pharmacovigilance Practices and Pharmacoepidemiologic Assessment
	EC/EMEA - GL on PV	Volume 9A of The Rules Governing Medicinal Products in the European Union – Guidelines on Pharmacovigilance for Medicinal Products for Human Use http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/pharmaceuticals/eudralex/vol-9/pdf/vol9a_09-2008.pdf
	FDA/EMEA - other specific GL	



Guide on Methodological Research Standards





Scope of the Guide

Based on Inventory of Guidance and Guidelines for PE & PhV research

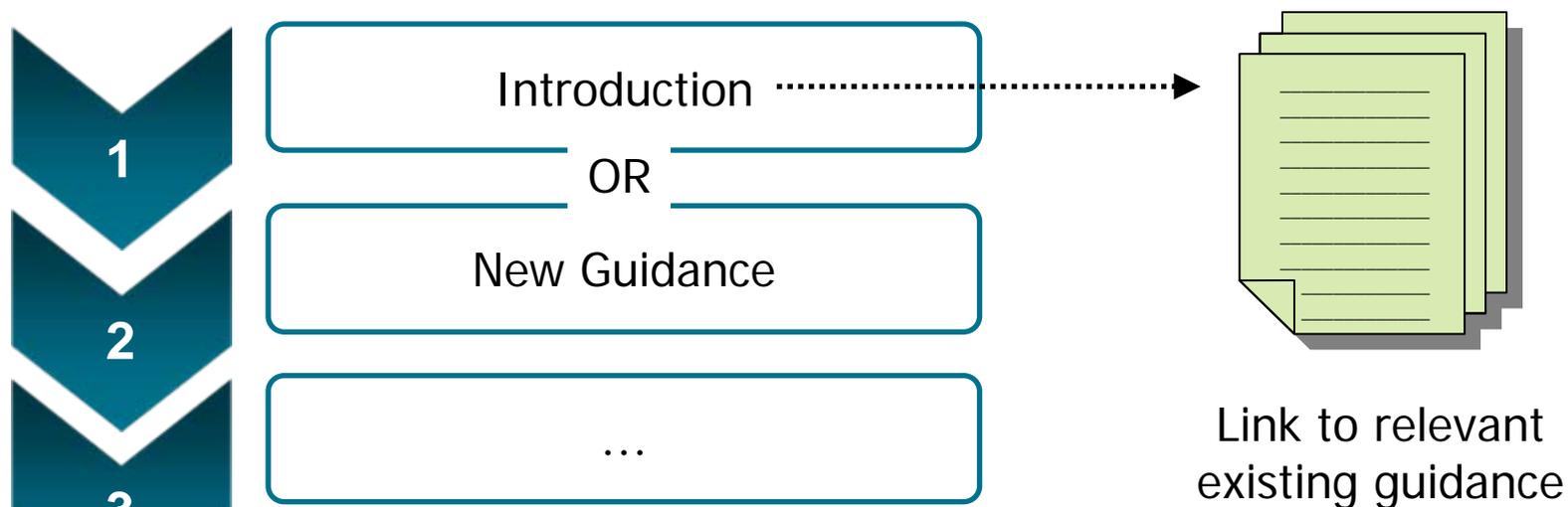
“Overarching” existing guidance; no need to reinvent the wheel

Note: keep in mind much guidance is found in standard reference epidemiology textbooks

Provide new guidance for areas where no or not sufficient guidance is available



Structure of the Guide



**A short document published online
(but downloadable and can be referenced)
With links to established guidance
That will be maintained over time
And expanded to cover gaps in current guidance**



Development of the Guidance

- Identify different sections of the Guide (areas of operational/methodological research)
- Match existing guidelines with the need for Guidance = Sections of the Guide
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Meeting of WG on 10 December

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Identify authors !



Next steps

Review of outline, guidance, and authors

- By February 15, 2010

Review by ENCePP (call for authors)

- By March 15, 2010

Final outline and authors document

- By April 10, 2010

First draft summary of sections

- By May 15, 2010

WG meeting in London (date tbc)



Working Group 2

Transparency & Independence

Chair: Helen Dolk

Subgroup 1: Code of Conduct

Chair: Helen Dolk

Subgroup 2: Registry of studies

Chair: Joan-Ramon Laporte

Main activities in 2009

- Develop the Code of Conduct
- Development of data fields for the Registry of studies



—> *public consultation*



Working Group 3 - EU data sources & methodological approaches for multi-source studies

Chair: Miriam Sturkenboom

Main activity in 2009: Development of data entry form (questionnaire) for data sources for the ENCePP Database of Research Resources

- List of key points for the Database
- First draft questionnaire: March 2009
- Consultation process: Drafting Group WG3 (April 2009), Working Group (May 2009), ENCePP (June 2009)
- Final draft: July 2009 (presented at ENCePP Plenary in Sept 2010)



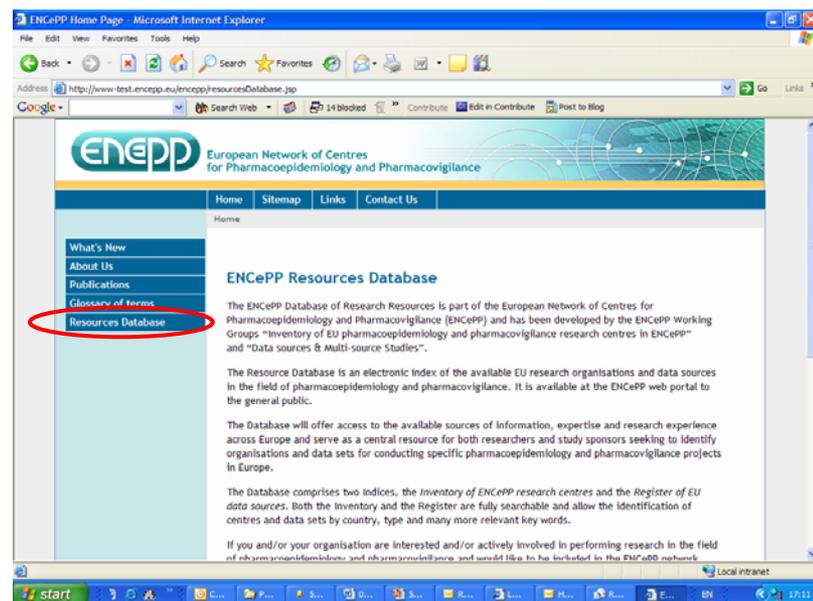
Registry of Data Sources Status Update

Planned for 2nd release of resource database (Q 1 2010)

Same structure & features as Inventory of centres

Access to centres and data sources through common portal: Resource database

Link from centres database to data sources and vice versa





Working Group 4

EU PhV & PhEpi research centres in ENCePP

Chair: Mary Teeling

Main activity in 2009: Development of data entry form (questionnaire) for centres for the ENCePP Database of Research Resources

- Identification of key information of the centres to be collected
- First draft questionnaire - Drafting Group WG3, Working Group, ENCePP (September 2009)
- Final draft: September 2009



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Demonstration

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Version 1.0 – released in January 2010

'Special' features

- Download .pdf version of the questionnaire

Note: only electronic applications will be accepted !

- 'Save & exit' of questionnaire
- 'Review' data entries & 'edit' if necessary
- 'Search' database by name, country, resources and research area



Planned Version 2.0

When? Q1 2010

e-Database of data sources

Additional features

- Interlink of resources
- Extended search functions
- Downloadable profile of centre / search results
- Interactive map of Europe to access database of resources
- Network forum

