

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

About MDGuidelines, the Most Trusted Resource to Support Evidence-Based Care

MDGuidelines is a clinical decision support solution that features the world's most trusted illness and injury duration tables and gold-standard practice guidelines from the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM).

Unlike other solutions, our evidence-based clinical content and guidelines have been researched, compiled, written and evaluated by an academic-based medical research team. Every detail is thoroughly and rigorously backed by medical evidence and scientific fact, and adheres to all international guideline standards. As such, MDGuidelines represents the highest quality, most dependable decision support tool in the industry.

Browse through our product FAQs below to learn more about MDGuidelines' capabilities.

Q: How does MDGuidelines reduce variations in care?

A: Our evidence-based guidelines create a consistent framework for clinical decision-making, treatment planning and patient communication. When physicians regularly employ MDGuidelines, it enables all care team members to use consistent terminology and avoid confusing jargon and dramatic or alarming labels for common conditions. Using proven best practices helps reduce waste, promote optimal treatment and recovery times, and ensure consistent care across populations. This evidence-based approach ultimately lowers the cost of care for all stakeholders throughout the continuum of care, including providers, insurers, patients and employers.

Q: What do the physiological duration tables in MDGuidelines do, and how do they help create better outcomes?

A: The physiological duration tables in MDGuidelines provide objective estimates of how long a patient may take to recover

based on data and expert clinical consensus. With objective duration information in hand, physicians can discuss realistic expectations for patient recoveries and avoid common missteps, such as making unnecessary activity restrictions and wasting time and resources on treatments unlikely to contribute to recovery.

Q: Can MDGuidelines be integrated into our EMR?

A: Our robust API suite allows MDGuidelines content to seamlessly integrate with EMR systems, making intelligent clinical decision support tools available to physicians and other care team members at the point of care. As physicians consider a patient's treatment using MDGuidelines, having access to recent tests and procedures prevents unnecessary duplication and facilitates better coordination. Further, each person who interacts with the patient can present a consistent treatment plan. Users can customize as much or as little content to suit their needs and simply link from the EMR to the MDGuidelines website for additional information.



Q: How are the analytics and benchmarking tools in MDGuidelines different than other solutions on the market?

A: The analytics and benchmarking capabilities in MDGuidelines give users the tools and data-driven insight to achieve continuous quality improvement. Organizations can assess and adjust specific treatment protocols in order to deliver more consistent care. With the insight MDGuidelines delivers, it's possible to better guide treatments and support the more efficient use of resources going forward. The analytics and benchmarking tools can also be used to facilitate positive change by presenting concrete data to educate physicians about best practices.

Q: How does predictive modeling work within MDGuidelines?

A: With MDGuidelines, physicians and other care team members can utilize predictive modeling to personalize expected illness/injury durations based on patient demographic information and co-existing medical conditions. Used primarily for benchmarking cases against normative values, the predictive model searches our database of more than 7 million real-world disability cases to fine-tune illness and injury estimates.

Q: What is new or innovative about the MDGuidelines formulary?

A: Treatment decisions are far too important to rely on generalized information that is not specific to

injury or illness. The MDGuidelines formulary is a unique tool to promote quality of care, positive therapeutic outcomes, and safe, cost-effective drug choices. Developed by pharmacists and physicians, along with input from external peer reviewers, the MDGuidelines formulary provides evidence-based support for therapeutic agents so that healthcare providers can choose the most appropriate medication therapy for illnesses and injuries.

Q: What is DART?

A: Our Diagnosis and Related Treatment (DART) tool gives MDGuidelines users a fast, easy way to access diagnostic and treatment recommendations at the point of care. In addition to streamlining aggregated clinical content for illnesses and injuries, DART provides links to the medical evidence behind the recommendation status, helping physicians get to the recommendations and rationale more easily. Supported by the medical evidence of the ACOEM Practice Guidelines—the gold standard in effective treatment of injuries and illnesses—no other product contains this vital information.

Ready to see MDGuidelines in action and learn how it can make a positive impact on your organization's performance? Visit www.mdguidelines.com or contact guidelines_sales@reedgroup.com to request a demo and learn more.
