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CAN HEALTH CARE NETWORKS DEVELOP AUTONOMY OVER DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GUIDANCE WITHIN AN ENVIRONMENT SHAPED BY ACCREDITATION STANDARDS?

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RETIREMENT OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES IN A NATIONAL PAY FOR PERFORMANCE (P4P) SCHEME

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Objectives

To work collaboratively with senior researchers to develop compelling cases for actions that could be taken to address the most significant gaps between research evidence and health policy/practice in Australia.

Methods

Faculty members will search literature, consult with stakeholder networks and debate issues in developing a paper of published evidence, recommending actions to address each prioritised gap and providing the rationale for prioritisation. Steering Groups will oversee the development of each Case for Action.

Results

This presentation will share the experiences and lessons learnt to-date in developing Cases for Action.

Discussion

There is a gap between what we know and what we do. Cases for Action will draw on the combined expertise of researchers to systematically consider and prioritise actions to best address these gaps. Possible actions that could be proposed include advice to government about health policy, clinical or public health guidelines, or opportunities to collaborate with strategic partners to leverage investment in health or to provide support in the implementation of health strategies.

Implications for Guideline Developers/Users

The lessons learnt from the Cases for Action process will benefit attendees who are considering how to focus their effort to ensure that healthcare policy and practice best reflects available evidence.