

A simplified representation of the stages for the development of NICE guidance¹ – when and who should be involved

		CSP	CSP Alliance	CSP Professional Network (PN)	CSP Members
1.	Submit topics	Not routinely	Yes	Yes	Yes (through CSP)
2.	Topic published	Yes 1. Pass to Alliances 2. Post to website & iCSP Effective Practice network	Yes 1. Informs PNs 2. Identify lead	Yes	Yes (academic / clinical researcher)
3.	GDG (working party)	Through Alliances	Yes Informs PNs	Yes Encourage submission	Self nomination by senior member with clinical remit
4.	Scope workshop	Yes; Through to Alliances	Yes Identify main PNs	Yes Identify attendees	Yes (suggest 1 – 2 band 7's)
5.	Scope consultation ²	Yes; Through Alliances	Yes; Lead collates PN responses	Yes ; Prepare response	Yes (suggest x1 academic / researcher lead with 3-4 clinical input ?band 7/8's)
6.	Draft guideline	Yes ; Through Alliances	Yes; Lead collates PN responses	Yes; Prepare response	Yes (suggest x1 academic / researcher lead with 3-4 clinical input ?band 7/8's)
7.	Typo consultation	No			
8.	Guideline published	Yes 1. Through Alliances 2. Post to website & iCSP Effective Practice network 3. ? Press release	Yes; Lead provides quote for press release	Yes; PN informs its members, eg icsp network; PN website; newsletter; conference	

¹ The most complex process is for the development of guidelines within the Guideline programme; other programmes (Technology Appraisals, Medical Technologies Guidance, Interventional Procedures, Public Health Guidance, Quality Standards) are similar but don't necessarily include all 8 stages.

² Consultation for Guidelines last 1 month; consultations for other NICE programmes are frequently shorter