

Sistemes de Suport a la Decisió Clínica (SSDC)

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Què és un SSDC?

- Sistemes computats de gestió de la informació dissenyats per a donar resposta a **problemes complexes** en el procés de presa de decisions
- Especialment útil quan la quantitat d'informació és excessiva per ser "**processada**" individualment
- S'aplica en múltiples camps (negocis, militar, enginyeria, ...).

Guies clíniques

EHR/HIS/RIS

Motor d'inferència

SSDC/SPE



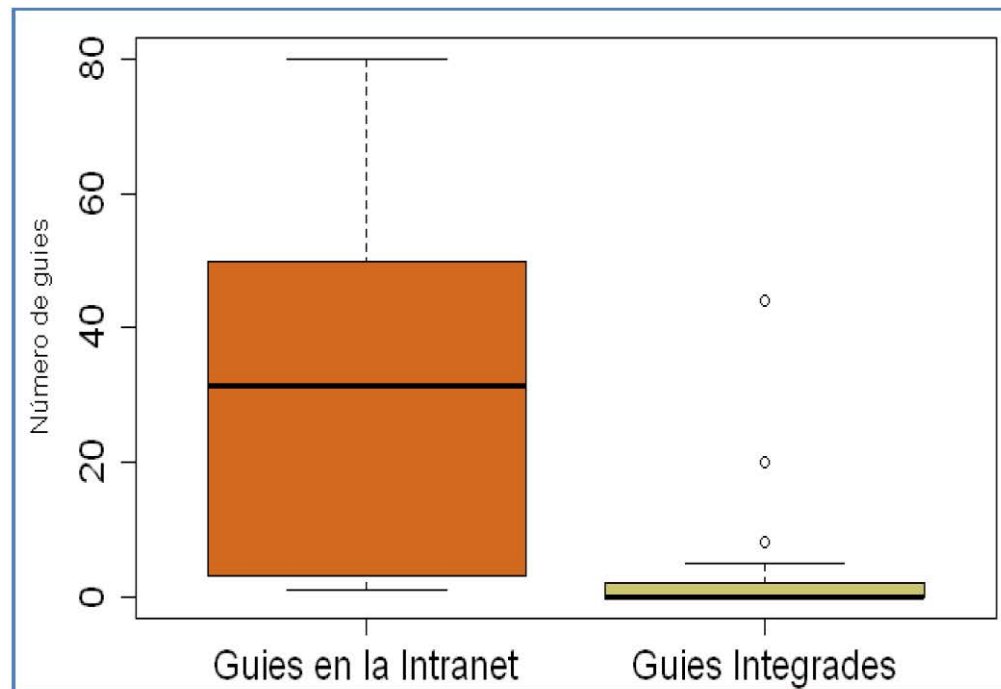
Per a l'èxit del SSDC cal:

- El millor coneixement acreditat disponible
- Alt nivell d'adopció i ús efectiu
- Millora continuada dels continguts i sistemes

Ús excessiu de la imatge mèdica

- Taxa de creixement anual entre 8%-16%
- Factors que hi influencien:
 - Introducció de noves tecnologies (PET, MRA, CTA, etc.)
 - Nous usos de tecnologies existents
 - "Self-referral"
 - Demanda dels pacients
 - Medicina defensiva
- S'estima que >10% dels estudis són innecessaris o estan duplicats
- Exposició innecessària a la radiació

Mitja de guies clíniques informatitzades i integrades amb la HCE



	<i>Intranet*</i>	<i>integrades</i>
N	18	21
Mitjana	30,28	3,95
DS	26,21	10,26
Mínim	1	0
Màxim	80	44
P25	4,25	,00
P50	31,50	,00
P75	48,75	2,00

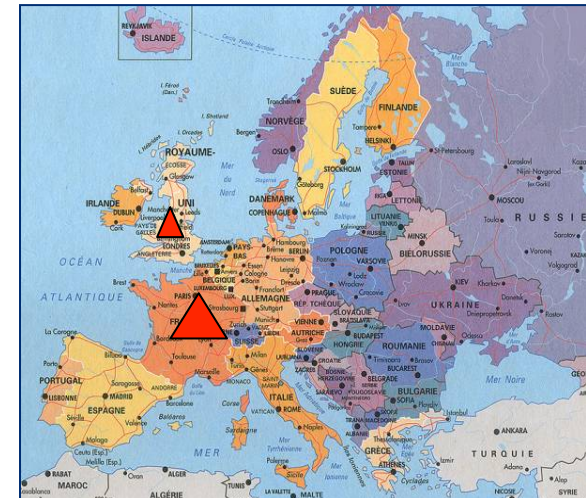
DS: desviació estàndard

P: Percentil

* S'han eliminat 3 casos extrems de la variable *Intranet*

Clinical Decision Support/Referral Guidelines

- European survey by the ESR
- Availability of RG (~ 70%)
- Production: UK and France
- Adopted and adapted: others



“In **Belgium** we have referral guidelines; in fact, **nobody really takes them into account**”...

“Referral guidelines for diagnostic imaging in general are **not in use in Hungary**”...

“They are **not used in the Netherlands**”...

“Although we have several official **referral guidelines published (in Spain), they are not used generally speaking**”...

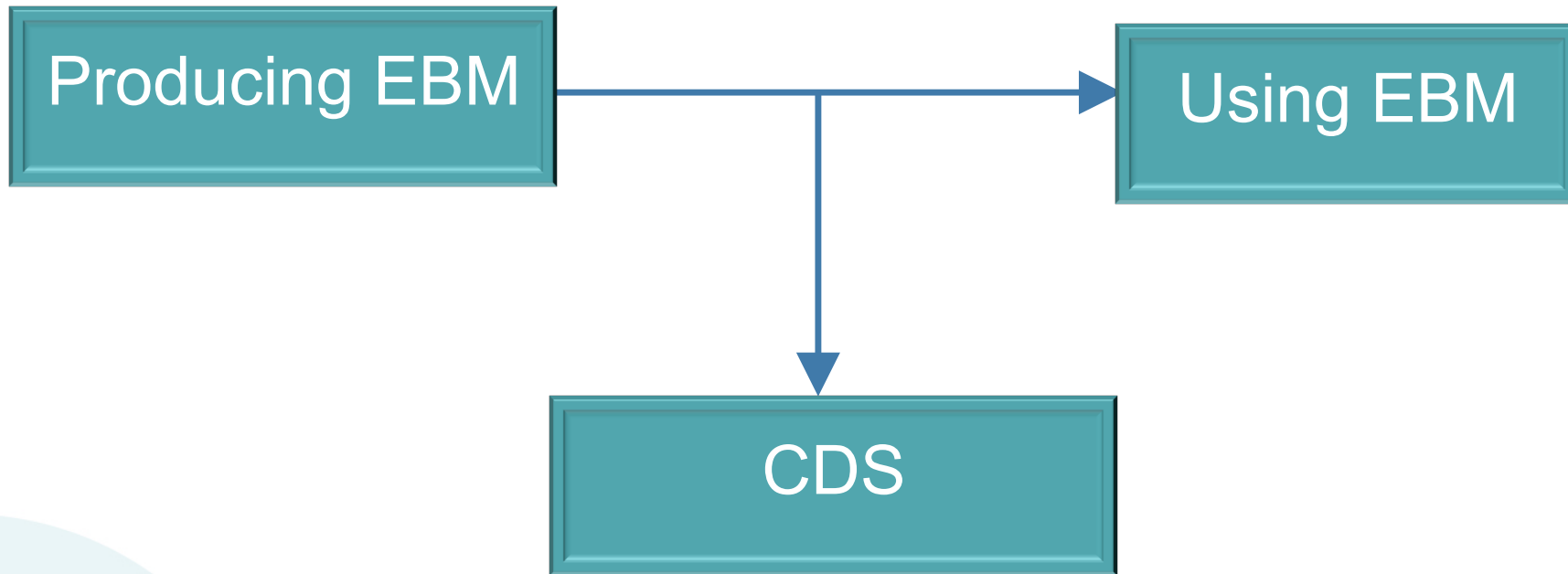
“In **Italy** the referral guidelines were published in 2004 by the Ministry of Health. **Unfortunately they are not always followed** in clinical practice ”...

“There is **no official guide line enforcement** in the State service in **Ireland** ”...

“In **Germany**, the guidelines are **not routinely used** ”...

“In **France**, there are guidelines, but they are **not used** ”...

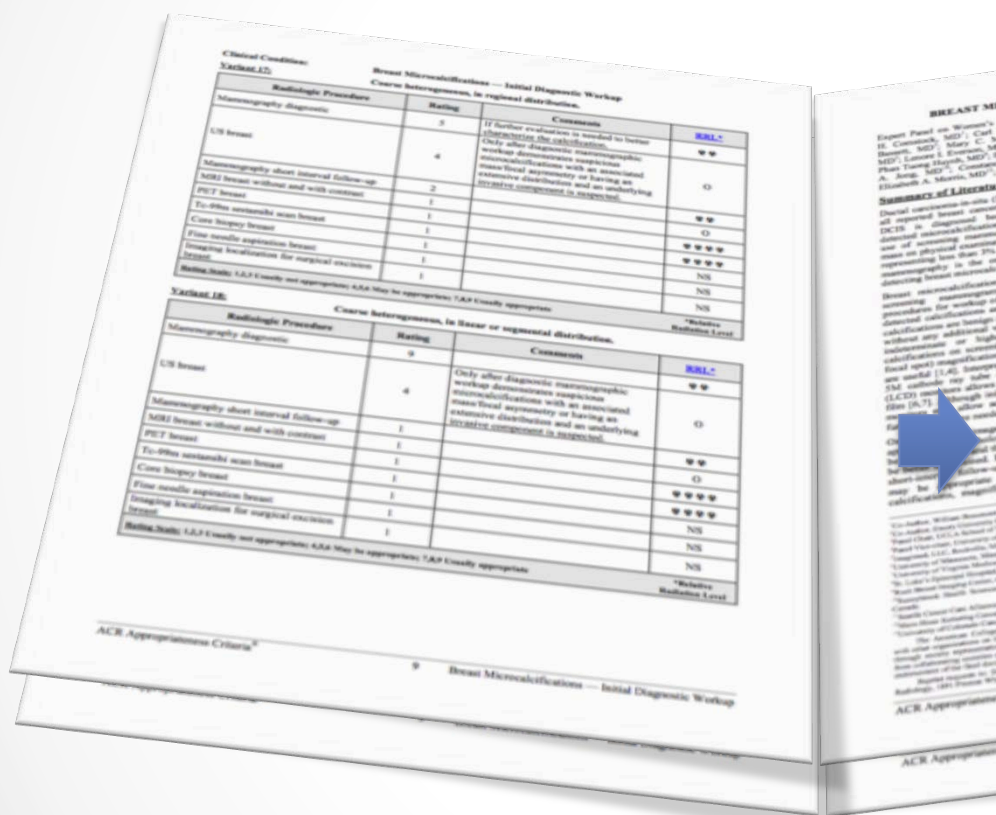
Change In Paradigm



Why Clinical Decision Support?

- Proven efficiency in literature
- Possibility to integrate into CPOE and into the physician workflow
- Patient centric, i.e. “personalised”
- Adaptable to the practice setting: localisation
- Scalable: focused or comprehensive

THE ACR APPROPRIATENESS CRITERIA



Patient Name: TEST, IGNORE MRN: 0000006 Ordering Physician: .

Chest CT

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9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Indicated 7-9 Marginal 4-6 Low Utility 1-3

Alternate procedures to consider:

X-Ray CTA ANGIO MR VQ

9 8 5 4 4

Additional Information:

Other Protocols (optional)

Reformats (sagittal/coronal) Stereotactic

At least one box MUST be selected from either of the following groups

SIGNS / SYMPTOMS

Back pain Chest pain acute, cardiac origin
 Chest pain acute, pulmonary origin Chest pain chronic, cardiac origin
 Chest pain, normal EKG Chest wall pain
 Cough (persistent) Fatigue and malaise
 Fever Hemoptysis
 Lymphadenopathy Night sweats
 Rales Shortness of breath
 Mass or lump on chest or back Weight loss

KNOWN DIAGNOSES (NOT Rule/out!)

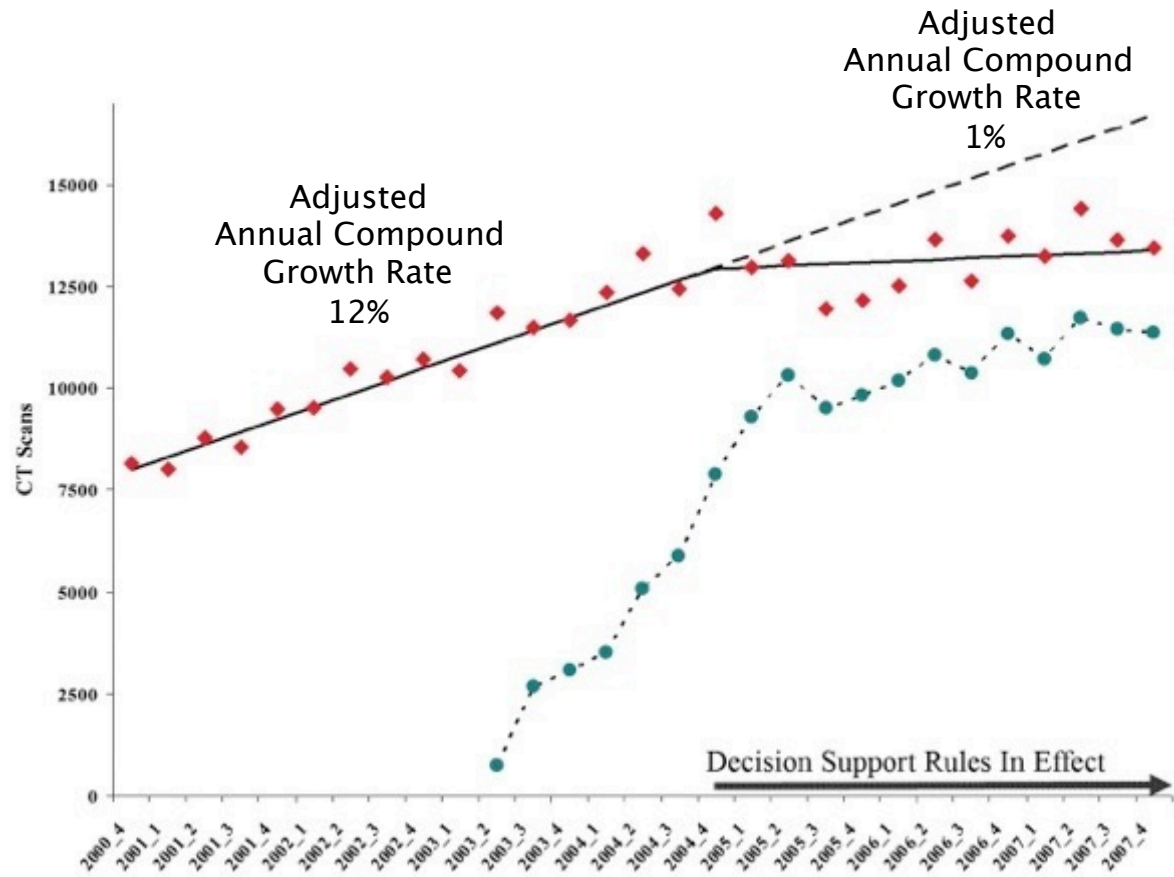
Aortic dissection Brachial Plexus abnormality
 Bronchiectasis Bronchiectasis w/ acute exacerbation
 Congenital heart disease Emphysema
 Injury to trunk Interstitial Lung Disease (Acute)
 Interstitial Lung Disease (Chronic) Neoplasm - Esophageal cancer

Massachusetts General Hospital High Cost Imaging

Effects of CDS
2000 - 2007

Quarters 2000-2007

- ◆ = Total exams
- = Ordered with ROE



From Keith Dreyer MGH

Legal Requirement For Use Of Appropriateness Criteria In The US

FEATURE

New Law Mandates Use of Imaging Appropriateness Criteria

BY BETH BURMAHL

Beginning in January 2017, referring physicians must use physician-developed appropriateness criteria when ordering advanced imaging for Medicare patients, in an effort to reduce duplicate and/or unnecessary scanning and associated costs.

THE NEW PROVISION, which also directs the secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to identify clinical decision-support (CDS) tools to help physicians navigate the appropriateness criteria, was approved April 1 as part of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014, or so-called sustainable growth rate (SGR) "patch" bill. The new measure also maintains current overall provider reimbursement for the next 12 months, preventing a 24 percent SGR-mandated physician pay cut.

Using the CDS tools embedded with appropriateness criteria is designed to improve the accuracy of ordering advanced diagnostic studies and ensure the appropriate studies are done for the right reason on the right patient.

Calling it a long time in coming, radiology leaders are lauding the provision—and other American College of Radiology (ACR)-backed measures in the legislation—as a victory for imaging and a big step forward for healthcare reform overall. Other changes mandate greater transparency around payment policy and improve patient safety through stricter controls on radiation dose levels.

"The provision is a major step toward appropriate use of medical imaging," said James Borgstede, M.D., an expert in radiology economics, quality and safety and healthcare politics and the RSNA Board Liaison for International Affairs. "If referring physicians embrace this concept, it will provide significant improvement in patient care."

But that's a big "if" according to some radiology leaders who stress that implementing these initiatives will be considerably more involved than just contacting the IT department to install CDS tools. Buy-in and commitment from referring physicians will be critical to the initiative's success, said Vijay M. Rao, M.D., RSNA Board Liaison for Information Technology and Annual Meeting.

"We can't just provide a clinical support tool and expect it to work like a charm," said Dr. Rao, the David C. Levin Professor and chair of Radiology at Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University. "We need to educate referring clinicians on the importance of using these tools appropriately and approach this as a fully realized program requiring time and commitment."

Timeline for Imaging Appropriateness

While the appropriateness criteria rule doesn't go into effect until 2017, the bill provides a timeline for putting the process in motion.

By November 2015, HHS must specify applicable appropriate use criteria for imaging services, using guidance from national professional medical specialty societies, including ACR, and other provider-led groups. ACR has long advocated for the use of clinical decision support systems.

When the law takes effect, physicians who provide imaging services will only be paid for claims that include information about which CDS tool was used and documentation that it meets the standard. This could pose a problem for radiologists, since it would become their responsibility to make sure the ordering physician used the CDS tool properly and reported it.

Because new provisions put the onus on referring physician, it remains to be seen how seamlessly the process will be integrated into daily practice. It's possible the task could fall into "the nuisance factor" category for physicians already dealing with significant workloads, said Dr. Rao, adding that CDS tools have been have yet to be tested on a large scale.

"We haven't really done due diligence on the effectiveness of CDS tools," Dr. Rao said. "As radiologists, we believe in the philosophy of reducing imaging tests, but for our clinical colleagues, we're not sure they're going to feel that way. That's why the education element in it is so important to effectiveness."



Rao

Borgstede

“CMS wants us to practice evidence-based medicine, but they are making decisions on multiple procedure payment reduction without any data at all.”

Vijay Rao, M.D.



**CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT FOR
EUROPEAN IMAGING REFERRAL GUIDELINES**

BACKGROUND

- In 2014, the European Society of Radiology (ESR) and the American College of Radiology (ACR) began collaborating on appropriate use criteria for medical imaging
- ESR and National Decision Support Company launched **ESR iGuide** at the 2015 European Congress of Radiology

ESR iGUIDE

- Electronic referral guidelines which can be directly integrated into the physician workflow to help referrers select the most appropriate imaging procedure to request
- The ESR has assembled a group of experts to review and adapt the criteria to European requirements
- This review is in process and expected to be completed by summer 2015
- The guidelines can be locally adapted on a country or site specific basis

BASIC TRANSACTIONAL WORKFLOW

1. Select Test

Age: 40 Male Female Unknown

Modalities	Body Areas
CT	abdomen
DXA	area of interest
END	chest
FLUOR	head
INV	heart
MAM	lower extremity
MEG	maxface
MR	neck
NUC	pelvis
PEM	spine
PET	upper extremity
PET-CT	
US	
US-XRAY	
XRAY	



2. Enter Reason For Exam

Q ataxia

Clinical Indications

- Ataxia, after head trauma (<24 hours)
- Seizure, new, >18y, acute hx of trauma
- Visual loss after head injury
- head injury moderate or severe acute, stable
- Head trauma, closed, mod-severe
- Ataxia, after head trauma (<24 hours)
- Seizure, new, >18y, acute hx of trauma
- Visual loss after head injury

Sign/symptom

- abnormal gait (ataxia)
- Ataxia, slowly progressive, or long duration
- Ataxia, acute or sub-acute, infection suspected
- Ataxia, after head trauma (<24 hours)
- Ataxia, stroke suspected as etiology



3. Feedback

For each access to the criteria the system generates a unique Decision Support Number

Appropriateness rankings for a 40 year old male

Indications:	Ataxia, slowly progressive, or long duration		
Appropriateness	Procedure	Cost	RRL
Selected Procedure			
5	CT, head, w iv contrast	\$\$	⚠️⚠️⚠️
Alternate Procedures to Consider			
8	MR, head, wo/w iv contrast	\$\$\$\$	
7	MR, head, wo iv contrast	\$\$\$	
7	MR, spine, cervical-thoracic-lumbar, wo/w iv contrast	\$\$\$\$	
6	MR, spine, cervical-thoracic-lumbar, wo iv contrast	\$\$\$\$	

[Click here for ACR Appropriateness Criteria reference information](#)



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https://demo.esriguide.org/Home?site=NDSCDemo&mode=modality

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NATIONAL DECISION SUPPORT COMPANY

ESRF iGUIDE
EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGY

Welcome roooke

Dashboard

Logout

Age: 30

Male Female Unknown

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Feedback

Switch to Indication Mode

Modalities	Body Areas	Clinical Indications
CT	abdomen	Sign/symptom <input type="checkbox"/> cough, persistent <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, <40 years old, negative exam, no other symptoms or risk factors <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, anthrax suspected, CXR negative or equivocal <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, <40 years old, exam positive or risk factors <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, dementia, any age <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, h1n1 suspected, CXR negative or equivocal <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, CXR positive, non infectious etiol suspected <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, CXR positive, pcp suspected <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, negative or nonspecific CXR <input type="radio"/> Acute resp illness, SARS suspected, CXR negative or equivocal
DXA	area of interest	
END	chest	
FLUOR	head	
INV	heart	
MAM	lower extremity	
MEG	maxface	
MR	neck	
NUC	pelvis	
PEM	spine	
PET	upper extremity	
PET-CT		
US		
US-XRAY		
XRAY		

Cancel Session | Feedback | Change Password

Appropriateness check for CT of the chest for persistent cough

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NATIONAL DECISION SUPPORT COMPANY **ESRF iGUIDE** EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGY
 Welcome roooke

Age: 30 Male Female Unknown

Feedback Switch to Indication Mode

Modalities

- CT
- DXA
- END
- FLUOR
- INV
- MAM
- MEG
- MR
- NUC
- PEM
- PET
- PET-CT
- US
- US-XRAY
- XRAY

Body Areas

- abdomen
- area of interest
- chest**
- head
- heart
- lower extremity
- maxface
- neck
- pelvis
- spine
- upper extremity

Clinical Indications

Sign/symptom

- cough, persistent
- Acute resp illness, <40 years old, negative exam, no other symptoms or risk factors
- Acute resp illness, anthrax suspected, CXR negative or equivocal
- Acute resp illness, <40 years old, exam positive or risk factors
- Acute resp illness, dementia, any age
- Acute resp illness, h1n1 suspected, CXR negative or equivocal
- Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, CXR positive, non infectious etiol suspected
- Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, CXR positive, pcp suspected
- Acute resp illness, immunocompromised, negative or nonspecific CXR
- Acute resp illness, SARS suspected, CXR negative or equivocal

Appropriateness rankings for a 30 year old male Display Evidence...

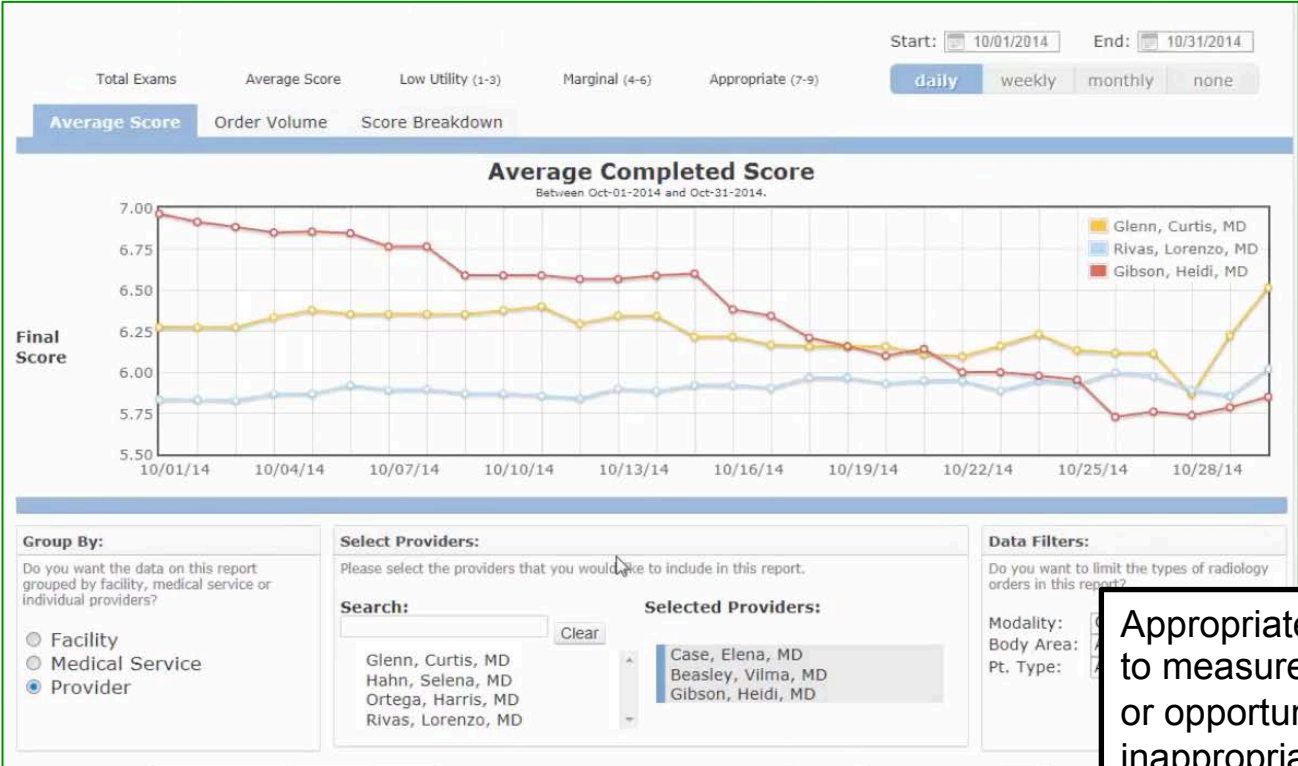
Indications: cough, persistent x

Appropriateness	Procedure	Cost	RRL	
9	XRAY, chest	\$		select this exam
3	CT, chest, wo iv contrast	\$\$		select this exam

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Feedback showing CXR is more appropriate

EXAMPLE EHR ANALYTICS



Appropriateness score can be used to measure physician compliance, or opportunities to eliminate inappropriate utilisation as part of quality improvement and risk based contracts

Expected benefits

- Increased use of guidelines
- Reduction in unnecessary radiation exposure
- More appropriate imaging
- Improved clinical workflow
- CDS as an educational tool

Radiología

+ Paciente HOME PROVA NOVA 5 años Varón INSS. COT I PROV DIRECTA
 + Episodio XXX - DIAGNOSTICO DESCONOCIDO

+ Visita 24/03/14 09:23 Cap

Localización

- Todos
- Abdomen
- Cabeza
- Cabeza y cuello
- Cardíaco
- Columna
- Cuello
- Extremidad inferior
- Extremidad superior
- Extremidades
- Maxilofacial
- Pelvis
- Torax
- Mama
- Maxilofacial

Grupo de técnicas

- Todos
- Densitometría
- ECS
- Fluoroscopia
- MNC
- PET
- RMN
- RX
- TC

Búsqueda información clínica e indicaciones

13 items encontrados. Mostrando todos los items. < Anterior | Siguiente >

- 8 RM, cerebral, con contraste
- 7 RM, cerebral, sin contraste iv
- 6 TC, cerebral, sin contraste iv
- 5 TC, cerebral, con contraste iv
- 4 TC, angiografía, cabeza, con contraste iv
- 4 TC, cerebral, sin/con contraste

Información clínica

- none
- Acromegalia/gigantismo
- Acromegalia/gigantismo
- Apoplejía pituitaria
- Deficiencia hormona del crecimiento, deceleración del crecimiento, panhipopituitarismo
- diabetes insipida
- hiperprolactinemia
- Hipertiroidismo
- Hipopituitarismo
- Obesidad/trastorno de la alimentación
- pubertad precoz
- Silla turca postoperatoria
- Síndrome de Cushing

Indicaciones

- otros datos
- lesión cerebral leve o moderada aguda, sin déficit neurológico
 - lesión cerebral moderada o aguda grave, estable
 - s/p endarterectomía carotídea
- patología conocida
- accidente vascular cerebral
 - acromegalia
 - aneurisma, cabeza cuello
 - aneurisma, vasos del cuello
 - ataque isquémico transitorio
 - ataque isquémico transitorio con trastorno neurológico transitorio
 - aterosclerosis, aorta, arco, ramificaciones
 - conmoción cerebral débil o moderada aguda, sin déficit neurológico
 - deformidad. craneo

Determinaciones Seleccionadas

	Protocolo	Lateralidad	Proyeccion	ACR
AIXELLA		No Procede	-	

Cancelar

Finalizar Selección

traumatismo tronco/torax

Indique, por favor, porque no ha seleccionado una prueba de mayor puntuación

Justificación

Se realizaron otras pruebas que no fueron concluyentes.

Observaciones

Se realizaron otras pruebas que no fueron concluyentes.

Las pruebas más indicadas, demoran demasiado tiempo.

Prueba recomendada por Especialista

Prueba recomendada por Radiólogo

Prueba solicitada por el paciente

Otro motivo

Resultats

- Desembre de 2014 Implantació definitiva del SSDC
- 89% de les proves sol·licitades amb el SSDC tenien una qualificació d'idoneïtat adequada
- 5,8% amb un benefici marginal
- 5,2% com no adequada

Navarro M, Pérez A, Pinyol M, Grau M, Donoso L, Ruiz R.
CAPSBE-Hospital Clínic Barcelona

Recomanacions

- Accessible en el lloc de treball
- Interfase "clínic"
- La recomanació en termes probabilístics
- Explicació i justificació accessibles
- No pretén substituir el clínic!
- Cal saber quan trencar les regles!