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**Student Training Outline – Clinical Practice Guidelines Grid
Year 4 Health Care Management Clerkship (OCOM 895)
Appendix J – Academic Year 2006/2007**

I. Purpose

The increased availability of scientific information or evidence on which to base health care decisions has led to the development of clinical practice guidelines. These guidelines are developed nationally or centrally based on critical review of the literature and expert consensus. It has been shown that the use of clinical practice guidelines can greatly enhance medical decision making, control health care costs, and improve the quality of patient care. The purpose of this assignment is to have the students compare a selected patient's treatment with that of the recommended clinical practice guidelines to determine if costs were or could be contained without compromising quality patient care.

II. Guidelines for Completing Assignment

- A. The student is to select an appropriate patient case in the hospital setting, conduct a chart review, and complete page one of the assignment form (S-CPG). The student needs to determine:
1. current treatment for a patient's problem/condition/diagnosis;
 2. recommended treatment based on clinical practice guidelines; and
 3. rationale for any differences between current treatment and the recommended clinical practice guidelines.

Readily available clinical practice guidelines should exist for the patient's diagnosis/condition/problem. The hospital will have established clinical practice guideline that can be used as a reference when completing this assignment. Also, information regarding evidence-based medicine and clinical practice guidelines can be found at the following web sites:

<http://www.guidelines.gov>

<http://www.cochrane.org>

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/bv.fcgi?rid=hstat>

- B. The student is to complete page two of the assignment form (S-CPG) by explaining if and how the use of clinical practice guidelines made a difference in the cost of services and quality of care provided.
- C. On Friday of the second week of the clerkship, submit the Clinical Practice Guidelines Grid Form (S-CPG) to the CORE office so the CORE assistant dean can provide feedback and grade your assignment (F-CPG).