

2027
EXIT EXAMINATION
PREPARATORY WORKSHOP
CLINICAL AUDIT SEGMENT

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CLINICAL AUDIT REPORT

Four copies required

Certification by clinical supervisor



RULES

- The audit topic should not have been done in the practice in the preceding 5 years.
- The starting date of audit cycle must be within 3 years before the exam application deadline.
- At least one audit criterion is outcome-based.

STARTING IN 2018

Presentation in **Clinical Audit & Research Forum**
(mandatory from 2019 onwards).

PRESENTATION IN CLINICAL AUDIT & RESEARCH FORUM

Starting from 2026:

- **Candidate should present their clinical audit project AFTER the data collection period of 1st cycle.**

Suggested Content:

- **Description on Background, Audit Criteria**
- **Data Collection Method, Findings on Phase I/Phase II data collection (if any)**
- **and Discussion Points (if any)**

Format:

- **10 minutes presentation followed by 10 minutes feedback/Q&A**
- **Powerpoint with no more than 10 slides**

CLINICAL AUDIT ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

**Is this a clinical audit?
(Essential)**

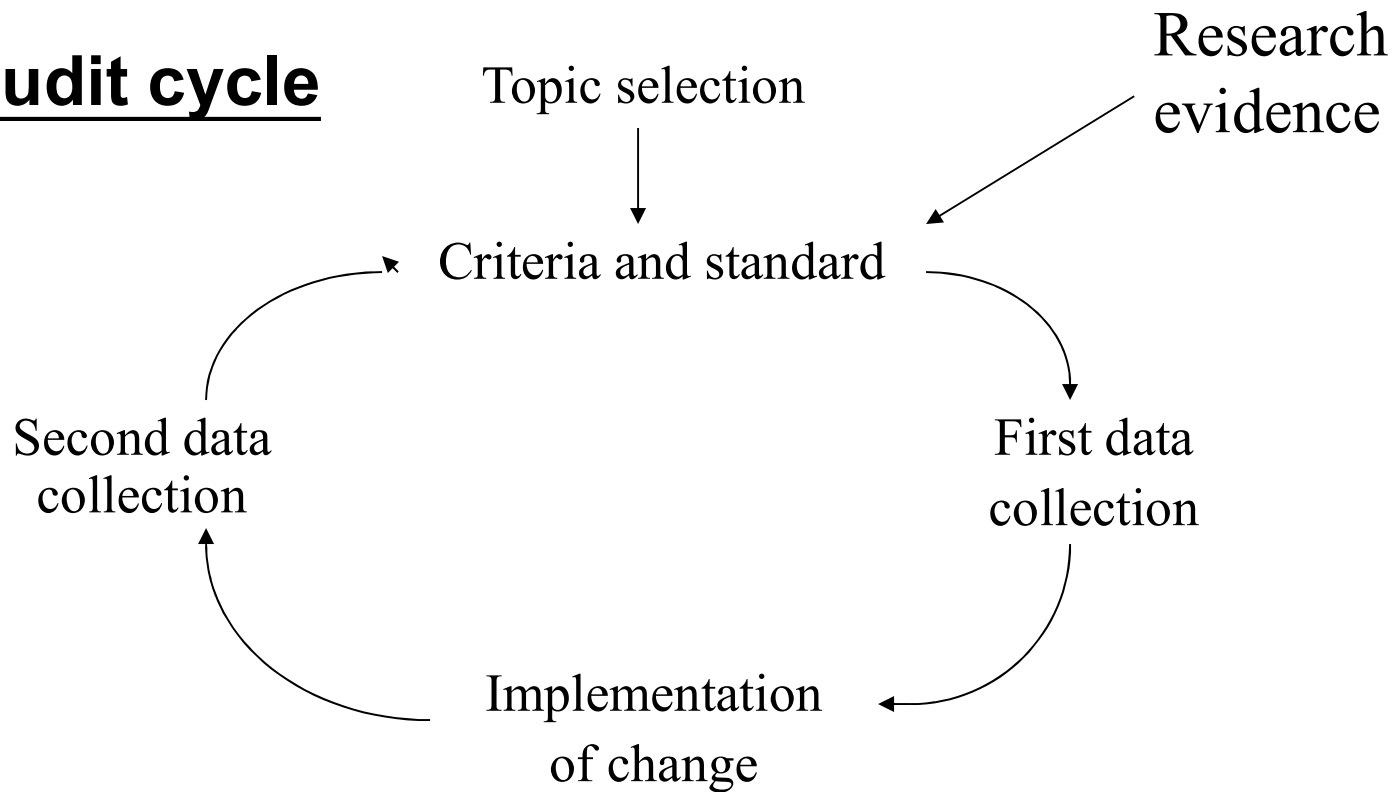
Clinical audit is the process of critically and systematically assessing our own professional activities with a commitment to improving personal performance and, ultimately, the quality and/or cost-effectiveness of patient care.

(Fraser, 1982)

Has the audit cycle been completed?

(Essential)

The audit cycle



EVALUATION OF THE BACKGROUND OF THE AUDIT PROJECT

- **Choice of the audit topic**
- **Define the aim**
- **Objectives**
- **Background literature review**

SELECTING A TOPIC

- **Common**
 - the condition
 - problem in care
- **Important**
 - impact on patients
- **Convincing evidence is available about appropriate care**
- **Feasible**
 - to undertake the audit
 - to improve care

AUDIT CRITERIA (1)

- **Explicit statement about what to measure**

- **Types**
 - **structure**
 - **process**
 - **outcome**

AUDIT CRITERIA (2)

Audit criteria must be :

based on evidence

prioritized

measurable and explicit

appropriate to the setting



AUDIT CRITERIA (3)

Methods :

directly from literature

from summary of evidence

e.g. good systematic review/good quality guidelines

from evidence-based audit protocol if available

AVAILABLE EVIDENCE-BASED AUDIT PROTOCOL

- **Management of chronic diseases:
DM /HT /asthma /gout /heart failure /angina
/depression**
- **Management of acute illness:
Acute otitis media**
- **Drug use: New /long term use of
benzodiazepines**
- **Smoking cessation**
- **Home visits /repeat prescription /patient access
to GP**

PREVIOUS FULL EXAM

Smoking Cessation

Hyperlipidaemia

Stroke

Asthma

Pneumococcal Vaccine

DM

HT

Cervical Smear Screening



SETTING OF STANDARD

- **What level of performance is expected**
- **The percentage of events that should comply with the criterion**
- **Set standard for each criterion**
- **Should be realistic, attainable and reflect the importance of the criterion**

COLLECTING DATA (1)

- **Define study population**
- **Sources**
 - records, patients, encounter forms
- **Samples**
 - adequate numbers, representative
- **Collection**
 - data collection forms

COLLECTING DATA (2)

- **Analysis**
 - % of cases in accordance with the criteria
- **Presentation of results**
 - clear
- **Twice - before and after change**

IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGE (1)

- **Identify areas of deficiencies in first cycle and the underlying causes**
- **Team work approach**
- **Use of multifaceted interventions chosen to suit the particular circumstances**

IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGE (2)

Some common strategies :

- Feedback**
- Education/training**
- System changes**
- Reminder system**
- Policies/guidelines**
- Team changes**

WRITING UP

- Report in a systematic way
- Clear and understandable language
- Appropriate presentation of result
- Concise summary of key issues, impact
- Be vigilant about plagiarism and AI generated output
- List of references
- Suggested word limit : 5,000 – 8,000