

Appendix 1: Key Elements of Task Force Guidelines

- **Title**
- **Key points**
 - May include statement of key results from evidence review, key aspects of recommendations and impact of screening.
- **Key messages for the public**
- **Summary of recommendations for clinicians and policy-makers (box)**
- **Grading of recommendations (box)**
 - Explanation of strong vs. conditional recommendations
- **Scope**
 - Includes description of who the guideline does and does not apply to
- **Recommendations**
- **Summary of evidence**
 - Benefits of screening
 - Harms of screening
- **Patient values and preferences**
- **Resource use**
- **Feasibility, acceptability and equity**
- **Rationale**
- **Methods**
 - Brief description of systematic review methods and GRADE approach used by Task Force to develop recommendations.
- **Patient engagement**
 - Methods for patient engagement activities
- **External and content expert review**
 - Brief description of how content experts were engaged and external review of guideline products
- **Management of competing interests**
- **Implementation**
- **Other guidelines**
 - Recommendations from other organization's systematically developed guidelines
- **Gaps in knowledge**
- **Limitations**
- **Conclusion**
- **Acknowledgements**
- **Tables**
 - Recommendations from other guideline organizations
 - Other tables as appropriate (e.g., outcomes, GRADE summary of findings)
- **Footnotes**
 - Competing interests
 - Guideline Writing Group
 - Collaborating Members of the Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care
 - Contributors
 - Funding
 - Disclaimers
 - Copyright information
- **References**
- **Additional files**
 - GRADE Evidence-to-Decision Framework
 - Others as needed (e.g., analytical framework)