

# Development of the Patient and Public Involvement Questionnaire for Canadian Formulary Committees

## Description

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## ABSTRACT

**Background:** Limited evidence exists on how to evaluate patient and public involvement in setting priorities for healthcare within formulary recommendation committees. This needs to be addressed to create evidence-based patient and public involvement policies. **Objective:** To develop a Patient and Public Involvement Questionnaire (PPIQ) and describe its development. **Methods:** The PPIQ was developed using mixed methods including the following phases: item generation and refinement (item bank creation, user feedback sessions); sensibility testing (using Feinstein's criteria and interviews); and pilot testing. **Results:** The PPIQ draft was created using a bank of 846 items. This was refined by user feedback sessions (n=7). Another group of participants (n=21) completed a sensibility questionnaire, with a median score 6 out of 7 on 80% of items indicating sensibility. Follow-up interviews (n=14) indicated the PPIQ was clear and appropriate. Pilot testing (n=14) had an average response rate of 25% and a completion time of 19:00 minutes (SD ± 13:46). **Conclusions:** The PPIQ may be used by agencies to evaluate patient and public involvement in Canada and assist in developing evidence-based patient and public involvement policies.

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