

Effective Health Care

Statin-Induced Cardiomyopathy Nomination Summary Document

Results of Topic Selection Process & Next Steps

Statin-induced cardiomyopathy does not fit within the domain of the Effective Health Care (EHC) Program because it is a biological question and does not address an effectiveness or comparative effectiveness question relating to a health care intervention. No further activity will be undertaken on this topic.

Topic Description

Nominator: Individual

Nomination Summary:

The nominator questions whether there is myocardial involvement in patients with statin-induced myopathy. He states that statin-induced myopathy is thought to be limited to skeletal muscle; however, if cardiomyopathy is also present, the implications may be much more significant for this widely used drug class.

Key Questions from Nominator:

1. Is there myocardial involvement in patients with statin-induced myopathy?

Considerations

■ The topic does not meet EHC Program appropriateness criteria. (For more information, see http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/index.cfm/submit-a-suggestion-for-research/how-are-research-topics-chosen/.)

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