

Effective Health Care

Treatment of Inguinal Hernia Nomination Summary Document

Results of Topic Selection Process & Next Steps

Treatment of inguinal hernia, while important, does not fit within the domain and priorities of the Effective Health Care (EHC) Program given limited program resources. No further activity will be undertaken on this topic.

Topic Description

Nominator: National non-governmental advisory group

NominationThe nominator is interested in the treatment of inguinal hernia. Specifically, the nominator has requested a comparison of open invasive versus minimally or

noninvasive procedures.

Key Questions

from Nominator: None

Considerations

■ The topic does not meet EHC Program appropriateness criteria because it is not one of the 14 priority conditions. (For more information, see http://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/index.cfm/submit-a-suggestion-for-research/how-are-research-topics-chosen/.) The topic, while important, is of lesser priority at this time given limited program resources.

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