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*The Accreditation Guide for Hospitals is designed to help you learn about the Joint Commission's hospital accreditation process. This guide provides important.*

This article has been cited by other articles in PMC. We did a systematic review of the literature to evaluate the impact of accreditation programs on the quality of healthcare services. Several databases were systematically searched, including Medline, Embase, Healthstar, and Cinhal. Twenty-six studies evaluating the impact of accreditation were identified. The majority of the studies showed general accreditation for acute myocardial infarction AMI , trauma, ambulatory surgical care, infection control and pain management; and subspecialty accreditation programs to significantly improve the process of care provided by healthcare services by improving the structure and organization of healthcare facilities. Several studies showed that general accreditation programs significantly improve clinical outcomes and the quality of care of these clinical conditions and showed a significant positive impact of subspecialty accreditation programs in improving clinical outcomes in different subspecialties, including sleep medicine, chest pain management and trauma management. There is consistent evidence that shows that accreditation programs improve the process of care provided by healthcare services. There is considerable evidence to show that accreditation programs improve clinical outcomes of a wide spectrum of clinical conditions. Accreditation programs should be supported as a tool to improve the quality of healthcare services. This model was exported to Canada and Australia in the s and s and reached Europe in the s. Accreditation programs spread all over the world in the s. Certification involves formal recognition of compliance with set standards e. Licensure involves a process by which governmental authority grants permission, usually following inspection against minimal standards, to an individual practitioner or healthcare organization to operate in an occupation or profession. Another recently published review of the literature related to accreditation had several limitations. In our review, we limited our search to health services accreditation. Second, the period covered in the search in the other review was only up to May and several important publications have been published since May  Third, several important papers relevant to accreditation were missed in the other review. No language restrictions were used. The bibliographies of all selected articles and relevant review articles were reviewed to identify additional studies. Experts in the area of accreditation were contacted to identify relevant studies. We included studies with different study designs, including clinical trials, observational studies and qualitative studies. Our search identified references. An analysis of abstracts of the citations was conducted to identify substantial studies relevant to health services accreditation by AK. Fifty-one studies were identified as potentially eligible for inclusion in the review. The full text of these studies was reviewed. Twenty studies were excluded that described the attitude of healthcare professionals towards accreditation. Five studies were excluded that described the cost of accreditation of healthcare services. Ten studies evaluated the impact of a general accreditation program on the overall performance of hospitals. Nine studies evaluated the impact of a general accreditation program on a single aspect of hospital performance. Seven studies evaluated the impact of subspecialty accreditation programs. Table 2 Open in a separate window The impact of general accreditation programs on the overall performance of hospitals In the South African randomized controlled trial, 20 randomly selected public hospitals, stratified by size, were selected. Ten of these hospitals were randomized to the accreditation program in ; the other 10 served as controls. About 2 years after accreditation began; intervention hospitals significantly improved their average compliance with COHSASA accreditation standards, while no appreciable increase was observed in the control hospitals. There was an increase and improvement in the structure of medical staff organization, nursing organization and physical facilities and safety. The improvement on the Systematic Development Scale was significantly higher in accredited than in non-accredited units. A substantial number of the plans in the bottom decile of quality performance were accredited, suggesting that accreditation does not ensure high-quality care. In this study, the mortality rate was

lower post AMI in accredited hospitals than in non-accredited hospitals. In this study, 5 non-accredited hospitals achieved accreditation during the study. There was significantly greater compliance with eight acute myocardial infarction AMI core measures at accredited hospitals compared with non-accredited hospitals. Accredited centers received greater satisfaction ratings than non-accredited centers. It is possible that these hospitals had already made considerable progress that was not captured because the first round of the survey was too late to be a true baseline, which may explain the lack of effect of accreditation on the selected quality indicators. Several studies have shown a significant positive impact of subspecialty accreditation programs in improving clinical outcomes in different subspecialties, including sleep medicine, chest pain management and trauma management Table 2. General accreditation programs of health organizations and accreditation of subspecialties should be encouraged and supported to improve the quality of healthcare services. One of the most important barriers to the implementation of accreditation programs is the skepticism of healthcare professionals in general and physicians in particular about the positive impact of accreditation programs on the quality of healthcare services. Conclusion There is consistent evidence that shows that general accreditation programs improve the process of care provided by healthcare services. There is considerable evidence to show that general accreditation programs improve clinical outcomes of a wide spectrum of clinical conditions. There is also considerable evidence to show that accreditation programs of subspecialties improve clinical outcomes. Acknowledgments We would like to thank Dr. We are also grateful to Prof. David Haran, University of Liverpool; Dr. Vanja Berggren, University of Liverpool; Prof. Magzoub, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, for their valuable feedback during the thesis-defense process. Toolkit for Accreditation Programs. Department for international development health systems resource centre; [Last accessed on ]. Accreditation and other external quality assessment systems for healthcare: Review of experience and lessons learned. External quality mechanisms for health care: External peer review techniques. European foundation for quality management. International organization for standardization. Int J Qual Health Care. Greenfield D, Braithwaite J. Health sector accreditation research: Current methods of the U. Preventive Services Task Force: A review of the process. Am J Prev Med. The impact of accreditation on the quality of hospital Care: Published for the U. Implementing a national hospital accreditation program: The role of hospital accreditation. The effects of a randomised multi-centre trial and international accreditation on availability and quality of clinical guidelines. Beaulieu N, Epstein AM. National committee on quality Assurance health-plan accreditation: Predictors, correlates of performance, and market impact. Structural versus outcomes measures in hospitals: A comparison of Joint Commission and Medicare outcomes scores in hospitals. Qual Manag Health Care. Relationship between performance measurement and accreditation: Implications for quality of care and patient safety. Am J Med Qual. Hadley T, McGurrin M. Accreditation, certffication, and the quality of care in state hospitals. Should we have confidence if a physician is accredited? A study of the relative impacts of accreditation and insurance payments on quality of care in the Philippines. JCAHO accreditation and quality of care for acute myocardial infarction. Dosage patterns in methadone treatment: Results from a national survey,  Do licensing and accreditation matter in outpatient substance abuse treatment programs? J Subst Abuse Treat. Medication errors observed in 36 health care facilities. Impact of hospital accreditation on infection control programs in teaching hospitals in Japan. Am J Infect Control. Outcome analysis of Pennsylvania trauma centers: Factors predictive of nonsurvival in seriously injured patients. Quality of care in accredited and nonaccredited ambulatory surgical centers. National survey of the status of infection surveillance and control programs in acute care hospitals with more than beds in the Republic of Korea. The impact of the joint commission for accreditation ofhealthcare organizations pain initiative on perioperative opiate consumption and recovery room length of stay. Chest pain center accreditation is associated with better performance of centers for medicare and medicaid services core measures for acute myocardial infarction.

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The association is committed to improving health by developing and delivering standards, accreditation and educational programs that focus on optimizing patient and donor care and safety. AABB has been setting standards for both public and family cord blood banking for over 20 years. These facilities are responsible for procuring, processing and storing umbilical cord blood stem cells that can be used for transplantation. The website also lists frequently asked questions related to umbilical cord blood storage. The Accreditation Program assesses the quality and operational systems in place within the facility. The basis for assessment includes compliance with US federal laws and regulations. The AABB accreditation program itself is accredited by the International Society for Quality Healthcare , a prestigious international organization that accredits and oversees accrediting bodies. The Standards are revised every two years by a committee composed of experts in the cord blood profession, an ethicist and stem cell transplant physicians. The Standards list requirements for all aspects of cord blood banking including maternal screening and testing, processing, storage, and patient outcomes. All aspects of the business operations are covered under the robust standards which require a complete quality system. Accreditation may be granted for several activities including collection and processing as well as other services such as donor testing. Accreditation is granted for two years. Banks may then apply for reaccreditation to keep their accreditation status current. AABB accreditation has been and is currently the standard most often used by family cord blood banks in the US and Canada. They were founded in and are headquartered in McLean, Virginia. Like the AABB, they maintain a voluntary accreditation program. In the United States, for purely historical reasons, human blood and human tissue are regulated differently. The laboratory of a cord blood bank may also hold AATB accreditation if they are also engaged in tissue banking. For example, sperm banking is considered tissue banking and is eligible for AATB accreditation. California California State license requirements apply to any cord blood bank that collects, processes, stores, or distributes cord blood within California, controls these functions within California, accepts cord blood collections from California, or releases stored cord blood to California. Basically, in order to have any business in California, a cord blood bank must possess a California Biologics License. The portions of the Health and Safety code HSC that may be relevant to cord blood banking include sections through  If a cord blood bank also collects portions of the cord tissue, a California tissue bank license is required as well. The relevant HSC for cord tissue banking runs from sections through  For more information about the California Biologics License, on-line resources provided by the California Dept. In late California passed a law authorizing a state initiative to collect cord blood donations for the benefit of the public health. CAP CAP , the College of American Pathologists, is a non-profit professional association that offers an international laboratory accreditation program. This program is not specific to cord blood laboratories. The CAP accreditation is designed for laboratories that perform testing on human specimens, and therefore can be reviewed under the field of pathology. Those cord blood banks that perform their own testing in-house are eligible for CAP accreditation. It is a peer-based, voluntary, accreditation program that reviews laboratory procedures to ensure that they follow rigorous quality standards for specimen testing. The sub-categories within this accreditation are: Accredited laboratories are inspected every two years. Hence they may be different in each country, which is why international standards have sprung up, such as JACIE in Europe. They are not a quality accreditation, they are a basic legal requirement. They are not specific to cord blood banking at all. Laboratories that are registered with CLIA get inspected every two years. The licenses are governed by amendment to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act and Rules of that became effective in  The accreditation agency AABB provides a summary of requirements for licensed banks. May list , Aug. Stories can be found in the media of government raids to shut down unlicensed banks. FACT was created by the

medical community under the premise that quality cellular therapy and cord blood banking can only be achieved with cooperation among collection, processing, and clinical professionals. Then, in , FACT began to partner with NetCord , an international consortium of cord blood banks, to administer joint standards and accreditation. The voluntary inspection and accreditation process is international. FACT currently accredits both family and public cord blood banks. In family banking, the collection site can be any clinic that delivers babies, and the collection person may be a doctor, nurse, or midwife. Some public cord blood banks have evolved to also accept mail-in donations collected by labor and delivery professionals who have completed remote training requirements. To accommodate this evolution in banking practices, the FACT Standards adopted since allow for non-fixed collection sites provided that the bank adequately trains the collectors and confirms that the shipping process protects the cord blood. The FACT Standards and accreditation process are end-to-end, covering every aspect of cord blood handling from the moment of collection at the site where the baby is delivered, through the cord blood lab, and concluding with patient management at the clinical care site. FACT Standards for family banks allow for a very small number of relaxed criteria that take into account differences between family and public banking circumstances. For example, family banks have 72 hours after collection to process cord blood, whereas public banks must process cord blood within 48 hours after collection. The majority of the Standards are the same for public and family banking because any successful use of cord blood depends on quality practices. FACT-accredited cord blood banks demonstrate compliance with Standards by submitting pre-inspection documentation, undergoing a rigorous on-site inspection, and correcting deficiencies found during the inspection. Because of the emphasis on patient care, transplant physicians are included in the review of inspection results before a bank is accredited. FACT-accredited facilities are inspected every three years. FACT accreditation is recognized as the most relevant and comprehensive cord blood bank accreditation, and the number of accredited banks continues to grow worldwide. Since , the number of accredited banks has more than tripled. Currently, accredited banks represent 23 countries on five continents. The FACT website www. This section describes FDA registration, which is required of all cord blood banks that operate within the US. Since then, the FDA also conducts inspections of family cord blood banks. The FDA rules are also designed to prevent transmission of communicable diseases. The cord blood must be tested for the following diseases: In July , the FDA posted their first-ever web page of cord blood information for consumers. The BLA requirement became effective in Oct. Those public banks which are not yet licensed are being allowed to continue operations if they are "moving towards" licensure. Many people who see news reports about the FDA licensure of cord blood banks are confused, and for good reason. Cord blood has been used in stem cell transplants since , and by there had been over 35, cord blood transplants worldwide. From the perspective of hematologists and oncologists, cord blood transplants have become a standard therapy for patients. Yet, despite this long track record, the FDA had never officially approved cord blood transplants as a standard therapy or established a licensing standard for public cord blood banks. Hopefully, the establishment of the FDA BLA license for cord blood will encourage more health insurance plans cover it and more oncology treatment centers provide it, so that patients will have more access to this therapy. The FDA licensing requirements are not intuitive: The FDA operates on the philosophy that human cells are a "biologic product", or in other words a drug, whenever they are given to a person other than the donor. The Biologics License Application "is a submission that contains specific information on the manufacturing processes, chemistry, pharmacology, clinical pharmacology and the medical affects of the biologic product. If the information provided meets FDA requirements, the application is approved and a license is issued allowing the firm to market the product. Some of the requirements are sensible, like detailed requirements for laboratory sterility and for monitoring of batches on the production line except here every single cord blood collection is a separate batch. But in some ways the drug analogy is not really applicable to cord blood, and that has caused a great deal of grief for cord blood bankers. For example, the FDA requires that each cord blood unit must be labeled with an expiration date. But cells that are cryogenically frozen remain viable for decades, and no expiration date has been scientifically established.

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Moreover, we do not have the technology to put a label on a unit that is already cryogenically frozen. The licensure is not retroactive, so when a public cord blood bank gets a license, it only covers their incoming cord blood collections, and their older cord blood inventory is not licensed. Nonetheless, if a patient needs a non-licensed cord blood unit for instance if it is the best match to the patient , then it can be shipped for treatment if the hospital has an FDA-approved clinical trial one that has IND or if the cord blood was requested via the NMDP , which has a global IND for all their banks. Finally, no innovation in cell therapy comes without press releases and marketing. Some but not all of the cord blood banks that have obtained their BLA license have given a name to their licensed cord blood "product". This leads laypeople to think that something new has become available, when it is really just a new label for the same cord blood transplant units that these labs produced before.

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## 3: Accreditation Standards

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*The Joint Commission's new Patient Safety Systems Chapter appropriately focuses on these key areas, as well strategies for effective identification and analysis of safety data, proactive risk assessment, the psychological safety of the workforce, and patient engagement.*

Accreditation has been defined as "A self-assessment and external peer assessment process used by health care organisations to accurately assess their level of performance in relation to established standards and to implement ways to continuously improve" [8] Interest in hospital accreditation ascends as far as the World Health Organisation see external links. Accreditation is one important component in patient safety. However, there is limited and contested evidence supporting the effectiveness of accreditation programs. Standards to improve the control of the hospital environment were thus generated, and these subsequently grew into accreditation schemes with the remit to facilitate and improve organisational development. Part of the process is not only about assessing quality, but also about promoting and improving quality. Similar accreditation schemes were soon developed elsewhere in the world. In countries such as the United Kingdom, the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Canada, sophisticated accreditation groups have grown up to survey hospitals and, in some cases, healthcare in the community. Furthermore, other accreditation groups have been set up with openly declared remits to look after just one particular area of healthcare, such as laboratory medicine or psychiatric services or sexual health. Accreditation systems are structured so as to provide objective measures for the external evaluation of quality and quality management. Accreditation schemes should ideally focus primarily on the patient and their pathway through the healthcare system â€" this includes how they access care, how they are cared for after discharge from hospital, and the quality of the services provided for them. At the heart of these schemes is a list of standards which, ideally, serve to assess evaluate in a systematic and comprehensive way the standards of professional performance in a hospital. This includes not only hand-on patient care but also training and education of staff, credentials, clinical governance and audit , research activity, ethical standards etc. The standards can also be used internally by hospitals to develop and improve their quality standards and quality management. Some international accreditation schemes believe that the standards applied should be fixed and are non-negotiable, while others operate a system of negotiation over standards - however, whatever approach is taken the every aspect of the process should be evidence-based. International standardization groups also exist, but it must be pointed out that the mere achieving of set standards is not the only factor involved in quality accreditation - there is also the significant matter of the incorporating into participating hospitals systems of self-examination, problem solving and self-improvement, and hence there is more to accreditation than following some sort of overall " standardization " process. As governments and the general public have increasingly come to demand more and more openness about health care and its delivery, including and especially hospital quality and safety and the clinical performance of doctors, and these accreditation systems have generally adapted to fulfill this extended role. The best accreditation schemes also assess academic and intellectual activity such as teaching and research within those hospitals that they survey see later and have a clear and declared interest in medical ethics. In some parts of the world, accessing healthcare can be very expensive, even prohibitively so. While some countries have elected to provide comprehensive healthcare services for all of their populations, others appear to be satisfied with leaving portions of their population without access to healthcare. When it comes to who pays the bills for healthcare, it may be the government or it may be the individual sometimes either by direct payment, and sometimes through employer-run schemes, insurance companies etc. Value for money is hence another factor in assessing the true quality of healthcare. A number of larger countries engage in hospital accreditation that is provided internally. Some other countries have looked towards accessing the services of the major international healthcare accreditation groups based in other countries to assess their healthcare services. Some hospitals go for international healthcare accreditation as a de facto form of

advertising. In response to this marketing opportunity, some national accreditation groups have expanded their wings internationally, and gone on to survey and accredit hospitals outside of their own national borders. When they choose to do this, such groups can be said to be providing "international healthcare accreditation". Any of these factors may lead to a loss of public confidence in healthcare services, and a desire to seek out healthcare overseas. The environmental and political situation will constantly vary throughout the world, and this will need to be factored into the equations. For sure, it is not simply a matter of looking at hospital buildings and at mattresses, and it is certainly not just an issue of looking only at the prices charged. While architecturally pleasing rooms and easier access to satellite television and the internet may improve personal comfort, and a bargain basement price may help the wallet, what is often more important may include such issues as: Also, the intending medical tourist should check whether or not a hospital is wholly accredited by an international accreditation group, or if it is only partly accredited e. How does the person in the street access this type of quality information? This can be very difficult. Accreditation schemes well-recognised as providing services in the international healthcare accreditation field include: Joint Commission International JCI based in the United States Trent Accreditation Scheme based in UK- Europe The former Trent Scheme which ended in was the first scheme to accredit a hospital in Asia, in Hong Kong in The different accreditation schemes vary in approach, quality, size, intent, sourcing of surveyors and the skill of their marketing. They also vary in terms of how much they charge hospitals and healthcare institutions for their services. They all have web sites. Umbrella organizations[ edit ] The International Society for Quality in Health Care ISQua is an umbrella organisation for such organisations providing international healthcare accreditation [4]. Its offices are based in the Republic of Ireland. ISQua is a small non-profit limited company with members in over 70 countries. ISQua works to provide services to guide health professionals, providers, researchers, agencies, policy makers and consumers, to achieve excellence in healthcare delivery to all people, and to continuously improve the quality and safety of care. ISQua does not actually survey or accredit hospitals or clinics itself. Its offices are based in London. India becomes 12th nation to join ISQua. Accreditation services[ edit ] If a hospital or clinic simply wishes to improve its services to patients wherever those patients come from locally or from further afield , or wishes to attract medical tourists, how do they choose who to go to when contemplating accessing external peer review by an accreditation group such as those listed above. No one healthcare system has a monopoly of excellence and no one provider country or scheme can claim to be the total arbiter of quality. The same is true of healthcare accreditation schemes. For example, some countries, such as the USA, perform very poorly when it comes to providing anything close to universal access to healthcare of adequate quality to the population living within their own borders. Others, such as the United Kingdom and Australia, have created state-funded systems which provide everything without the assistance of the private sector. Different accreditation schemes are sourced out of different parts of the world, for example in hospitals there is see map: Joint Commission International JCI out of the USA [11] QHA Trent out of the United Kingdom [13] Australian Council on Health Care Standards International in Australia [14] As no single international accreditation scheme enjoys exclusive rights to be seen as an overall worldwide-relevant scheme, some hospitals are looking towards multiple accreditation to achieve performance credibility in different parts of the world. With respect to the cost of accreditation, this can vary enormously [6] and it can be hard to find out precise data; in the case of JCI , the costs can be substantial. This is based on the country, size and operations of an organisation.

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## 5: Accreditation Rules | ACCME

*of accreditation standards by a healthcare organization, demonstrated through an independent external peer assessment of that organization's level of performance in relation to the standards.*

Abstract Objective To assess changes over time in quality of hospital care in relation to the first accreditation cycle in Denmark. Design, setting and participants We performed a multi-level, longitudinal, stepped-wedge, nationwide study of process performance measures to evaluate the impact of a mandatory accreditation programme in all Danish public hospitals. Intervention The Danish Healthcare Quality Programme was introduced in , aiming to create a framework for continuous quality improvement. Main outcome Changes in week-by-week trends of hospital care during the study period of weeks prior to, during and post-accreditation. Results The quality of hospital care improved over time throughout the study period. Standardization in the form of policies, standards, guidelines, procedures and pathway packages is a popular strategy among healthcare leaders to improve the quality of care. One way to promote standardization is to apply an accreditation model, attempting to ensure consistent quality of care and continual improvement of care in line with rising standards [ 2 ]. In the last decade, accreditation has spread to over 70 countries [ 3 ]. Although research in healthcare accreditation has received attention, a strong relationship between applying predefined accreditation standards and continued improvement in quality of care has yet to be demonstrated [ 3 â€” 5 ]. In , a mandatory national accreditation programme for hospitals was introduced in Denmark, with the aim of providing a framework for quality improvement for all public hospitals [ 6 ]. High compliance with the standards from this programme has been shown to be associated with lower 30 days mortality risk and shorter length of stay [ 7 , 8 ], but despite the goal of doing so it remains unknown whether the accreditation programme per se promotes improvements in quality of care. Since the accreditation programme was mandatory, it is not possible to assess the impact of accreditation through a randomized controlled trial that traditionally is seen as the gold standard methodology for evaluations of causal interventions [ 9 ]. However, Denmark was new to mandatory hospital accreditation, which gives the opportunity to assess the impact of nationwide implementation of an accreditation programme. The aim of this study was to assess changes over time in hospital process performance measures in relation to the first accreditation cycle, at a census of all non-psychiatric public hospitals in Denmark. We hypothesized Hypothesis 1 that the impact of the accreditation programme would be reflected in an increased trend in process performance measures during accreditation compared to prior to accreditation. We expected that the external pressure that results from the accreditation process would subsequently play a less dominant role once the on-site survey was completed. Therefore, we hypothesized Hypothesis 2 that the improved trend would decrease post-accreditation. Finally, since identifying areas with room for improvements is a key part of the accreditation process, we hypothesized Hypothesis 3 that the improvement effect would be more evident for process performance measures where the hospitals prior to the accreditation delivered quality of care at an unsatisfactory level. Methods Study design, context and study population We designed a longitudinal, nationwide study of process performance measures related to the introduction of a mandatory accreditation programme from November 1, to December 31, Public hospitals in Denmark treating patients with at least one of the six following conditions were included: The first version was launched in August ; the first hospital was accredited in May and the last in June The agency responsible for DDKM recommended that every hospital perform an internal survey 6 months before the external survey, in order to identify areas for improvements and to prepare for the announced on-site survey. A team comprising peer reviewers performed the on-site survey, with the main task to evaluate to what extent the hospital met the predefined standards. The surveyors used methodologies including interviews with staff and patients and reviews of local guidelines. The evaluation was documented in a report used by an independent Accreditation Award Committee to award the hospitals a level of accreditation. Because the report identify strengths and areas for improvement, it was used by the hospital to continue the cycle of quality

improvement [ 11 ]. The first version of the programme consisted of standards grouped in three categories: The standards incorporated the four steps in the plan-do-check-act cycle, a management method used for control and continuous improvement of processes [ 12 ]. Each standard incorporated a number of indicators used to guide the hospitals to meet the standard. Documentation was required when performance against the disease-specific standards failed to reach the expected quality level [ 6 ]. If a hospital reached a satisfactory level of quality, this level had to be maintained as a minimum, and no further action was required. Ultimately the aim was to ensure high quality of care [ 6 ]. All six diseases included in this study had their own disease-specific standard see Supplementary Appendix 1 for an example. In addition to the disease-specific standards, DDKM also include general standards that require policies related to clinical guidelines, documentation and monitoring and quality improvement at an organizational level [ 11 ]. Processes of care Patient-level data on delivered processes of care were obtained from national clinical quality registries related to stroke, heart failure, ulcer, diabetes, breast cancer and lung cancer. Reporting to these registries is mandatory for all hospitals according to Danish law. Each clinical quality registry has a board with representation of relevant medical specialities and in many cases other health professionals e. The board is responsible for identifying relevant processes of care to be monitored. A time limit was defined for each of the individual processes to capture the timeliness of the interventions. The selected processes of care and time limits reflect recommendations from national clinical guidelines for the individual conditions. We computed process performance measures based on the individual processes of care. A target value at hospital level reflecting best practice was defined for each process performance measures by the health professionals e. Overall, 43 different process performance measures were included in our study covering the six conditions content of the process performance measures and related target values can be seen in Supplementary Appendix 2. Statistical analysis A 5-year study was divided into three periods for each hospital: As shown in Fig. Analysis to determine the impact of accreditation involved comparison of trends between the three periods according to the stepped-wedge design [ 14 ]. The period during accreditation was defined as a 6 months period; starting from the date at which DDKM recommended an internal survey to the date the on-site survey occurred. A segmented logistic regression model was applied which included [ 1 ] a variable for continuous time in weeks throughout the entire period; [ 2 ] a variable for time weeks after the beginning of the during accreditation period; and [ 3 ] a variable for time weeks after the beginning of the post-accreditation period. These variables model [ 1 ] trends in the prior accreditation period; [ 2 ] change in trend between the prior to and the during accreditation period; and [ 3 ] changes in trend between the during and the post-accreditation periods. Analyses were performed as mixed effects logistic regressions in a stepped-wedge framework. We used mixed effects models in order to allow adjustment for heterogeneity between hospitals [ 15 ]. In addition, we used random slopes at each period, to allow all hospitals to have individual trends through the study period. Intraclass correlation coefficients ICC were calculated to assess the heterogeneity between hospitals in both level and trends. We tested our model for seasonal variation pattern in the level of process performance measures during calendar time in the hospital performance. Figure 1 Timelines for accreditation of Danish public hospitals. Figure 1 View large Download slide Timelines for accreditation of Danish public hospitals. Since the DDKM specifically addressed processes of care where the performance at hospital level did not meet the pre-specified target value for best practice, we conducted a sub-analysis where only processes of care below the target values were included. A process performance measure beneath target values was defined as a measure, where a hospital did not reach the target value within the 6 months prior to the during accreditation period. In that way, we assessed whether accreditation in particular facilitated improvement initiatives for processes of care where the hospitals delivered unsatisfactory levels of quality. Data were analysed via Stata Results We included 1 processes of care in the main analysis and processes of care in the sub-analysis. Hospital characteristics are presented in Table 1. We tested for seasonal variation, which was found to be insignificant.

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*Accreditation process guide - a step-by-step review of how the hospital accreditation process works. The accreditation manual provides a comprehensive review of the accreditation process which includes a description.*

Abstract Background Healthcare accreditation standards are advocated as an important means of improving clinical practice and organisational performance. Standard development agencies have documented methodologies to promote open, transparent, inclusive development processes where standards are developed by members. They assert that their methodologies are effective and efficient at producing standards appropriate for the health industry. However, the evidence to support these claims requires scrutiny. Methods A multi-method strategy was employed over the period March to August  Search criteria included accreditation research studies, in English, addressing standards and their impact. Searching in stage 1 initially selected abstracts. These were independently reviewed by two researchers and reduced to 13 articles that met the study criteria. Results The 13 articles were analysed according to four categories: Three interventional studies were identified, with the remaining 10 studies having research designs to investigate clinical or organisational impacts. No study directly examined standards development or other issues associated with their progression. Only one study noted implementation issues, identifying several enablers and barriers. Standards were reported to improve organisational efficiency and staff circumstances. However, the impact on clinical quality was mixed, with both improvements and a lack of measurable effects recorded. Conclusion Standards are ubiquitous within healthcare and are generally considered to be an important means by which to improve clinical practice and organisational performance. However, there is a lack of robust empirical evidence examining the development, writing, implementation and impacts of healthcare accreditation standards. External organisational and clinical accreditation standards are considered necessary to promote high quality, reliable and safe products and services [ 2 , 3 ]. There are over 70 national healthcare accreditation agencies worldwide that develop or apply standards, or both, specifically for health services and organisations [ 4 ]. The International Society for Quality in Health Care ISQua seeks to guide and standardise the development of these agencies and the standards they implement [ 5 ]. ISQua advocates that accreditation standards themselves need to meet exacting standards, and has standards for how to develop, write and apply them. The International Standards Organisation ISO , a network of the national standards institutes of countries, is the largest developer and publisher of international standards [ 6 ]. Standards from ISO are also applied in international health jurisdictions. In short, healthcare standards, and standards for standards, are ubiquitous. They are advocated to be an important means of improving clinical practice and organisational performance. ISQua, and many national bodies, espouse, and have documented methodologies to promote open, transparent, inclusive development processes where standards are developed by members [ 6 - 11 ]. What is the basis to ground the standard development methodologies in use? What research demonstrates how standards should be crafted and structured to ensure they are understandable, unambiguous, achievable and reliable in making assessments? What studies have identified the necessary steps to enable standards to be incorporated into everyday practice? Is there evidence to show whether standards improve practice? The purpose of this study was to examine these questions by identifying and analysing the research literature focusing on the development methods and application of healthcare accreditation standards. The analysis is a systematic narrative synthesis of the literature [ 12 ]. The intention is to generate new insights and bring transparency to the topic under investigation [ 13 , 14 ]. This type of review is appropriate for this topic for four reasons. First, the review aims to examine a complex initiative applied in diverse contexts [ 15 ]. That is, accreditation programs are complex organisational interventions, trying to shape both organisational and clinical conduct, within a multifaceted context in turn shaped by, for example, the healthcare and policy environment. Second, accreditation programs, involving healthcare standards, have been researched in different ways by divergent groups. The analysis method adopted here is intended specifically for

interventions researched in a myriad of ways [ 12 ]. Third, the approach enables consideration of apparently disparate data generated by research into accreditation standards, as a complex organisational intervention [ 15 ]. Fourth, the questions being investigated are preliminary questions that need to be asked of this intervention and the approach is designed exactly for this [ 14 , 15 ]. This review is the first to undertake a systematic and detailed narrative synthesis of accreditation standards. Methods Selection criteria and search strategy The selection criteria were: Discussion and commentary, and non-English language papers were excluded. Despite these focused criteria, we recognise that they may capture heterogeneous literature including, possibly, an overlap with work covering other forms of regulation. To counter this potential problem we used a staged search strategy to identify and remove any papers not focused on the study topic. This approach is valid for two reasons. First, there are overlaps between how regulatory strategies are at times discussed in the literature [ 18 - 20 ]. The reviewing of abstracts or the full papers provided a mechanism by which to screen out literature not on the study topic. Second, previous reviews and a preliminary investigation signalled that empirical research literature available on standards was limited. A multi-method strategy based on similar review designs was employed [ 16 , 21 , 22 ]. The search was first conducted in March and updated in August Citations and abstracts that met the search criteria were downloaded into Endnote X. Abstracts and, where uncertainty arose, complete papers, were reviewed against the selection criteria for inclusion in the review.

## 7: HLAC | Heathcare Laundry Accreditation Council

*Guidelines for Establishment of Accreditation of Health Laboratories 1 1 Accreditation and quality system Accreditation of health laboratories is the process by which.*

## 8: Accreditation | Appalachian Regional Healthcare

*The majority of the studies showed general accreditation for acute myocardial infarction (AMI), trauma, ambulatory surgical care, infection control and pain management; and subspecialty accreditation programs to significantly improve the process of care provided by healthcare services by improving the structure and organization of healthcare.*

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