

**TUFMR 2007-2008 Look-Up Conference  
Resident Facilitator Instructions**

\*\*Feel free to print these instructions for the day of the conference\*\*

Dear [Resident Facilitator],  
Thank you for facilitating this week's Lookup Conference.

Please bring a prepared clinical question (in PICO format) from a recent patient encounter.  
Previous Examples:

Diagnostic tests	chest CT for lung cancer screening?
Medications	SSRIs for premenstrual syndrome?
Procedures	cryotherapy for wart destruction?
Alternative therapies	acupuncture for low back pain?
1° or 2° prevention	ACE inhibitors prevent diabetic renal failure?

Remember...the best questions are **narrow enough** to find the answer quickly, but **broad enough** to ensure that there is research available on the topic.

1. Please ask residents to **\*\*\*SIGN ATTENDANCE SHEET\*\*\*** (give completed sheet to Ingrid Long) 'tfmrp\$' shared drive → Academic Conference Materials → Conference Attendance Sign In Sheet 2007

2. Present your **Clinical Question** to the group in **PICO format**

**Time = 5-10 minutes**

- Preferable to write on board for everyone (visual learners)
- Ask group for feedback to clarify the question, make it more relevant to your patient, or make it more 'answerable'.

<b>PICO format</b>
<b>P</b> atient / Population
<b>I</b> ntervention
<b>C</b> omparison
<b>O</b> utcome

**GOAL:** practice formulating clinical questions using PICO format

3. Divide group to **Look Up** question in different **Evidence-Based Sources**

**Time = 20 minutes**

- We prefer to use SUMMARIES of evidence rather than primary research articles for the sake of time.
- Okay to use 1 review/text source such as UpToDate per session, but most people should use sources below

**GOAL:** become facile using 'reliable, efficient' sources of evidence-based summaries

<b>Preferred Evidence-Based Summary Sources</b>		
InfoRetriever	<a href="http://www.infopoems.com">www.infopoems.com</a>	User: mass Password: TUFMR
BMJ Clinical Evidence	<a href="http://www.clinicalevidence.com">www.clinicalevidence.com</a>	StaffNet→Medical Library
Cochrane Collaboration	<a href="http://www.cochrane.org">www.cochrane.org</a>	StaffNet→Medical Library
TRIP Database	<a href="http://www.tripdatabase.com">www.tripdatabase.com</a>	StaffNet→Medical Library
Bandolier	<a href="http://www.jr2.ox.ac.uk/Bandolier/">http://www.jr2.ox.ac.uk/Bandolier/</a>	
SUM Search	<a href="http://sumsearch.uthscsa.edu/">http://sumsearch.uthscsa.edu/</a>	
Journal of Family Practice	<a href="http://www.jfponline.com/">http://www.jfponline.com/</a>	
NNT Tables	<a href="http://www.jfponline.com/">http://www.jfponline.com/</a>	

4. Discuss **Search Results** and Create a **Consensus Answer**

**Time = 15 minutes**

- Each group briefly presents their answer to question. Facilitator should write results on board/typed using projector. If possible, include Level of Evidence (i.e. 1a, 2b, 5, etc) and Source (e.g. cochrane).
- Levels of Evidence description & summary: <http://www.eboncall.org/content/levels.html>
- Type consensus answer & send via email to me with Source used and Levels of Evidence.

**GOAL:** disseminate Look-Up answers to all TUFMR members for use in everyday practice

Let me know if you have any feedback to make this conference more effective and enjoyable for everyone involved.

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