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Building Task Force for new iCARDIO Cardiomyopathy Guidelines

We are delighted to announce that work will soon begin on the next iCARDIO Global Implementation Guidelines, focusing on cardiomyopathy. An outstanding international Task Force of experts is being assembled to develop the Guidelines, including several specialists recommended by our valued partner societies.

The Guidelines will address key conditions including obstructive and non-obstructive hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, amyloidosis, sarcoidosis, Fabry disease and Chagas disease. We are aiming to publish these Guidelines in late 2026 or early 2027 and we look forward to keeping you updated as the work progresses.

We are also forming a new Task Force on The Management of Patients living with Cardio–Kidney–Metabolic Disease (including MASLD), with Guidelines on this topic planned for 2027.

IHD Guidelines Move Toward Publication Following Public Review

We are looking forward to publishing the iCARDIO Global Implementation Guidelines on Ischemic Heart Disease in the coming quarter.

The Task Force completed the draft Guidelines at the end of December, after which the document underwent formal peer review. The draft was then opened for public review from February 5 to March 8, receiving 50 comments from members of the public around the world.

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback. Although it is not possible to include all contributors by name in the final document, their insights have helped strengthen the Guidelines and ensure their relevance across diverse healthcare settings worldwide.

Our next publication will be an article based on the iCARDIO IHD Survey, conducted from July to November 2025.

Atrial Fibrillation Guidelines Progressing to Review Stage

Our Atrial Fibrillation Task Force is making excellent progress on the next iCARDIO Global Implementation Guidelines. The Task Force has nearly completed the first draft of the AF Guidelines, and the Review Team will shortly start work. Once the review process is completed, the document will be opened for public review later this year.

Our Global AF Survey, which ran from 30 December 2025 to 8 March 2026, received responses from 853 participants across 97 countries. We thank everyone who contributed their insights.

Global Participation in iCARDIO Surveys

iCARDIO surveys have so far been conducted on Heart Failure (Applicability of heart failure clinical practice guidelines in low- and middle-income countries) , Obesity (Applicability of obesity clinical practice guidelines in low- and middle-income countries) as well as Ischemic Heart Disease and Atrial Fibrillation, which have yet to be published. Together, these surveys have received responses from xxx countries across all continents, helping ensure that the iCARDIO Global Implementation Guidelines reflect real-world practice across diverse healthcare systems worldwide.

Welcoming three new members of the Guidelines Advisory Board

We are pleased to welcome three new members to our Guidelines Advisory Board: Professor Martha Gulati, Professor Habib Gamra and Dr Marat Fudim.

Professor Martha Gulati (Houston Methodist, USA) is a leading expert in women's cardiovascular health and Immediate Past President of the American Society for Preventive Cardiology. She chaired the national chest pain guidelines and is the author of Saving Women's Hearts.

Professor Habib Gamra (University of Monastir, Tunisia) is a prominent leader in cardiovascular medicine in Africa and the Middle East. He is President of the Pan-African Society of Cardiology and Chairman of the Pan African Course on Interventional Cardiology.

Dr Marat Fudim (Duke University Medical Center, USA) is an advanced heart failure cardiologist and Associate Professor of Medicine. He also holds several leadership roles at Duke, including Medical Director of the Duke Clinical Research Unit and Director of the Heart Failure Remote Monitoring Clinic.

iCARDIO Symposium Accepted at ECO 2026

We are delighted to announce that an iCARDIO Alliance symposium has been officially accepted by the European Association for the Study of Obesity (EASO) for inclusion in the 33rd European Congress on Obesity (ECO 2026) in Istanbul, Türkiye. The symposium, entitled "From Guidelines to Person-Centered Integrated Care: Improving Outcomes for Patients Living with or at Risk of Obesity-related HFpEF," will take place on Friday 15 May 2026 (09:30–11:00).

The iCARDIO Alliance Global Implementation Guidelines for the Management of Obesity 2025 will be presented during the segment "What the iCARDIO 2025 Guidelines Recommend: Diagnosis and Integrated Management."

ECO is Europe's premier scientific congress dedicated to obesity research, clinical care, prevention and policy, and we are delighted to showcase iCARDIO's work at this important international meeting.

Growing the iCARDIO Global Partnership Network

We are delighted to welcome three new iCARDIO partner societies since our last newsletter: The Heart Life Foundation, Obesity Canada and The Ethiopian Society of Cardiac Professionals, bringing our total number of partners to 23.

We continue to welcome cardiology and cardiology-related professional societies, as well as patient societies into our growing international network. Our partners can recommend experts for guideline Task Forces and nominate peer reviewers, ensuring diverse, real-world perspectives.

We also welcome healthcare networks and hospitals to support wider dissemination of the Guidelines. While these partners do not nominate or suggest Task Force members, they receive direct invitations to participate in public reviews and to disseminate iCARDIO Guidelines within their networks.

We encourage current partners to help grow this dynamic global community. To join or refer a partner society, please contact Guidelines Director Veronica Dean: vdean@tnacademy.org

How Can We Support You?

We would greatly value your feedback on the dissemination and implementation of the iCARDIO Guidelines.

Please indicate your preferences: (Complete Feedback Survey)

Would a slide set to accompany the Spanish versions of our Guidelines be helpful?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Would you be interested in podcasts discussing the guidelines?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Would webinars support implementation in your setting?

☐ Yes ☐ No

We look forward to hearing from you and will do our best to support you in implementing the iCARDIO Global Implementation Guidelines.

iCARDIO Resources at a glance

See iCARDIO Alliance website for all our latest updates

Guidelines

Heart Failure

- iCARDIO Alliance Global Implementation Guidelines on Heart Failure 2025 *Published in Global Cardiology: 1 May 2025*
- HF Guidelines slide set

Obesity

- iCARDIO Alliance Global Implementation Guidelines for the Management of Obesity 2025 - Focus on prevention and treatment of cardiometabolic disease *Published in Global Cardiology: 30 September 2025*
- Obesity Guidelines slide set

Articles

- Guidelines Advisory Board Editorial - The Global Implementation Guidelines Initiative: how to optimize cardio-renal-metabolic care worldwide *Published in Global Cardiology: 16 April 2025*
- HF Survey Article - Applicability of heart failure clinical practice guidelines in low- and middle-income countries *Published in European Journal of Heart Failure: 30 March 2025*
- Obesity Survey Article - Applicability of obesity clinical practice guidelines in low- and middle-income countries *Published in Global Cardiology: 30 June 2025*

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact dporter@icardio.org

Thank you for your continued support!

With warmest wishes,
The iCARDIO Team

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