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Overview

Guideline Objective

To provide practical guidance on the management of primary or secondary sclerosing cholangitis, including diagnostic methods, prognostic assessment, early detection of complications, optimal care pathways, and therapeutic (pharmacological, endoscopic or surgical) options both in adults and children

Patient Population

Adults and children presenting with features of cholestasis

Recommendations

Recommendation Statements

Major interventions covered in this guideline include:

- Guidance on diagnostic evaluation methods, including imaging, liver biopsy, serum markers, and autoantibodies
- Role of risk assessment at the time of diagnosis
- Role of non-invasive routine liver surveillance and indications for different monitoring modalities
- Guidance on use of pharmacological, endoscopic, and surgical treatment options
- Diagnosis and management of associated conditions (e.g., cholangiocarcinoma, inflammatory bowel disease)
- Considerations for pediatric patients

Note: Full recommendation statements have not been provided because this guideline does not meet EGT's systematic review of the evidence criteria. Refer to the original guideline for more information.

Evidence Rating Scheme

Refer to the original guideline documentation for more information.

Recommendation Rating Scheme

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Related Content

Supporting Documents

- Supplementary Data: Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form.
- Clinical Practice Guidelines of the European Association for the Study of the Liver – Advancing Methodology but Preserving Practicability; 2019 Jan 1.

Implementation Tools

No implementation tools available.

Patient Education

No patient education materials available.

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