

Report from symposium regarding guidelines in obstetrics and gynecology in Denmark.

Re: NFOG fund NF13036 from NFOG scientific committee

After 15 years of guideline making the Danish Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology (DSOG) decided that a symposium was to be arranged in order to improve our future guideline work.

On October 7, 2013, more than 100 gynecologists and obstetricians (including six from Sweden, Norway and Iceland) were gathered in Roskilde to attend the symposium.

Eight national and international speakers presented their work on medical evidence grading, international guideline collaboration, the guideline making in DSOG and Danish national clinical guideline making.

In the end of the day a discussion of several hours took place covering all the presentations. Incorporation of economic aspects of treatments in our guidelines was discussed. The difference between statistical significant difference and clinically important difference was pointed out and the need for guidelines to only recommend clinically important treatments was emphasized. The constitution of guideline groups and representation of patients' organizations in the groups was covered. Implementation of guidelines in the departments and how we could improve this was discussed. The importance of disclosure of interests was pointed out by several speakers. The difference between the multidisciplinary national guidelines and the guidelines in obstetrics and gynecology was discussed and a future need for the guidelines within obstetrics and gynecology was pointed out. Review of guidelines by non-guideline makers was discussed. Finally, collaboration among the Nordic countries was suggested.

The meeting resulted in the establishment of a group representing DSOG. The task of this group is to implement all the new ideas and discuss subjects in the future guideline making in gynecology and obstetrics in Denmark. Further, a group representing the members of NFOG has been organized. This group is supposed to present a proposal regarding Nordic collaboration of guideline making.

The organizing committee: Annette Tønnes Pedersen, Hanne Brix Westergaard, Jeannet Lauenborg and Helga Gimbel.



Gynecologists and obstetricians attending the symposium in Hotel Prinsen, Roskilde, Denmark.



The speakers attending the discussion in the end of the day.
From left to right: Peter Gøtzsche, Khalid Khan, Lisbeth Høeg-Jensen, Per Olav Vandvik, Søren Brostrøm,
Amir Quassim, Niels Ulbjerg.