



Title Reassessment of Health Technologies: Obsolescence and Waste

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Aim

To promote discussion about practical and policy issues related to health technology obsolescence and to offer a framework for advancing reassessment and decommissioning of health technologies in Canada.

Conclusions and results

A model is proposed for managing obsolescence of health technologies, including a description of structures, processes, and outcomes.

Recommendations

Not applicable.

Methods

A discussion paper was written to propose a policy framework for reassessing and decommissioning health technologies in Canada. This is a narrative summary based on a focused literature review and input from experts; not a systematic review of the literature.