

#### Appendix 4: Selected guidelines pertaining to the management of patients with common bile duct stones

Authority	Year of publication	Title	Method	Graded evidence and recommendation
NIH	2002	State-of-the-science statement on endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) for diagnosis and therapy	Systematic review and expert consensus	No
ASGE	2005	The role of ERCP in diseases of the biliary tract and the pancreas	Narrative review and expert consensus	Graded recommendations
	2007	The role of EUS		Graded the evidence and recommendations
	2005	Guidelines for endoscopy in pregnant and lactating women		Graded recommendations
	2010	The role of endoscopy in the evaluation of suspected choledocholithiasis		Graded the evidence and recommendations
ACG	2006	Practice guidelines in acute pancreatitis	Narrative review and expert consensus	Graded the evidence
Tokyo Guidelines	2007	Definitions, pathophysiology, and epidemiology of acute cholangitis and cholecystitis	Narrative review and expert consensus	Graded the evidence
	2007	Methods and timing of biliary drainage for acute cholangitis		
	2007	Techniques of biliary drainage for acute cholecystitis		
	2007	Flowcharts for the diagnosis and treatment of acute cholangitis and cholecystitis		
BSG	2008	Guidelines on the management of common bile duct stones	Narrative review and expert consensus	Graded the evidence and recommendations
SSAT	2007	SSAT Patient Care Guidelines Treatment of gallstone and gallbladder	Narrative review	No
AGA	2007	AGA Institute medical position statement on acute pancreatitis	Narrative review	No
SAGES	2008	Guidelines for diagnosis, treatment, and use of laparoscopy for surgical problems during pregnancy	Narrative review and expert consensus	Graded the evidence and recommendations
	2010	SAGES guidelines for the clinical application of laparoscopic biliary tract surgery	Systematic review and expert consensus	Graded the evidence and recommendations

ACG: American College of Gastroenterology, AGA: American Gastroenterological Association, ASGE: American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, BSG: British Society of Gastroenterology, CBDS: common bile duct stone, ERCP: endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, EUS: endoscopic ultrasound, NIH: National Institute of Health, SAGES: The Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, SSAT: Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract.