

Requirements for Submission of the PRISMA Checklist for Meta-Analyses or Systematic Reviews

Adherence in reporting guidelines is critical for interpreting meta-analyses and systematic reviews. The Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery strongly encourages prospective authors to complete the PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items of Systemic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) checklist when submitted meta-analyses or systematic reviews. The PRISMA checklist was proposed in 2009¹, and is an evidenced-based minimum set of 27 items for reporting systemic reviews and meta-analyses. This PRISMA checklist is part of a broader effort to improve the reporting of different types of health research, and in turn to improve the quality of research used in decision making in health care. This PRISMA checklist is available at: <http://www.prisma-statement.org/statement.htm>

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