

## Reporting Guideline – Delphi Studies

Checklist of proposed key methodologic criteria to report in publications of Delphi studies.<sup>1</sup>

Category	Recommendation	Page No.
Study Objective	Does the Delphi study aim to address consensus?	4
	Is the objective of the Delphi study to present results (eg, a list or statement) reflecting the consensus of the group, or does the study aim to merely quantify the level of agreement?	4, 6-8
Participants	How will participants be selected or excluded?	5
Consensus Definition	How will the consensus be defined?	8
	(a) If applicable, what threshold value will be required for the Delphi to be stopped based on the achievement of consensus?	7,8
	(b) What criteria will be used to determine when to stop the Delphi in the absence of consensus?	7,8
Delphi Process	(a) Were items dropped? (b) What criteria will be used to determine which items to drop?	10 N/A
	What criteria will be used to determine to stop the Delphi process or will the Delphi be run for a specific number of rounds only?	7,8

1. Diamond IR, Grant RC, Feldman BM, et al. Defining consensus: a systematic review recommends methodologic criteria for reporting of Delphi studies. *J Clin Epidemiol.* 2014;67(4):401-409. doi:10.1016/j.jclinepi.2013.12.002