Supplementary Table: Low-value, questionable clinical activities included in the QUestionable In Training Clinical Activities (QUIT-CA) index*

	Recommendation	Clinical outcome	Inclusions/duplications
Royal Australian College of	Don't order chest x-rays in patients with uncomplicated acute		
General Practitioners	bronchitis.	Imaging	nil
Royal Australasian College of			
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	Do not routinely order abdominal X-rays for the diagnosis of non-		
Health Division Council	specific abdominal pain in children	Imaging	<18yrs
Royal Australasian College of	Do not routinely undertake chest X-rays for the diagnosis of		
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	bronchiolitis in children [or routinely prescribe salbutamol or		
Health Division^	systemic corticosteroids to treat bronchiolitis in children]	Imaging	<3yrs
	Don't routinely order a thyroid ultrasound in patients with		
The Endocrine Society of	abnormal thyroid function tests if there is no palpable abnormality		
Australia	of the thyroid gland.	Imaging	nil
Royal Australasian College of			
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	Do not routinely order chest X-rays for the diagnosis of asthma in		
Health Division Council	children	Imaging	<18yrs
Australasian Faculty of			
Occupational and Environmental	Do not request low back X-rays or other forms of low back imaging		
Medicine	as part of a routine preplacement medical examination.	Imaging	nil
The Australian Physiotherapy	Don't request imaging for patients with non-specific low back pain		
Association	and no indicators of a serious cause for low back pain.		
The Royal Australian and New	Don't perform imaging for patients with non-specific acute low		
Zealand College of Radiologists	back pain and no indicators of a serious cause for low back pain.		
Australasian Faculty of	Do not order X-rays or other imaging for acute non-specific low		
Occupational and Environmental	back pain, unless there are red flags or other clinical reasons to		< 50yrs
Medicine	suspect serious spinal pathology.		Some problems
			restricted to
Australasian Faculty of	Do not use imaging for diagnosing non-specific acute low back pain		continuing problems
Rehabilitation Medicine	in the absence of red flags.	Imaging	Five recommendations

Australian Rheumatology	Do not undertake imaging for low back pain in patients without		
Association	indications of a serious underlying condition.		
The Australia and New Zealand	Do not routinely perform electroencephalographs (EEGs) for		
Child Neurology Society	children presenting with febrile seizures.	Imaging	<18yrs
The Australia and New Zealand	Do not routinely perform computed tomography (CT) scanning of		<18yrs
Child Neurology Society	children presenting with new onset seizures.	Imaging	New problem
The Australia and New Zealand	Do not routinely perform electroencephalographs (EEGs) for		
Child Neurology Society	children presenting with syncope (fainting).	Imaging	<18yrs
Australasian Faculty of			
Occupational and Environmental	Do not repeat chest X-rays when screening asbestos-exposed		
Medicine	workers unless clinically indicated.	Imaging	Old problem
Royal Australasian College of	Don't order computed tomography (CT) scan of the head/brain for		
Surgeons	sudden hearing loss.	Imaging	New problem
	Do not use ultrasound for the further investigation of clinically		
Royal Australasian College of	apparent groin hernias. Ultrasound should not be used as a		
Surgeons	justification for repair of hernias that are not clinically apparent.	Imaging	nil
Royal Australasian College of	Don't routinely obtain radiographic imaging for patients who meet		
Surgeons	diagnostic criteria for uncomplicated acute rhinosinusitis.	Imaging	New problem
Australian and New Zealand	Don't perform imaging of the carotid arteries for simple faints.		
Association of Neurologists			
	Don't request Holter monitoring, carotid duplex scans,		
Internal Medicine Society of	echocardiography, electroencephalograms (EEGs) or telemetry in		
Australia and New Zealand	patients with first presentation of uncomplicated syncope and no		Two
	high risk features.	Imaging	recommendations
Australian and New Zealand	Don't perform imaging of the brain for non-acute primary		
Association of Neurologists	headache disorders.	Imaging	Old problem
The Thoracic Society of Australia			
and New Zealand	Do not prescribe antibiotics for exacerbation of asthma.	Medication	nil
Royal Australasian College of			
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	Do not routinely treat gastroesophageal reflux disease (GORD) in		
Health Division	infants with acid suppression therapy.	Medication	<12months

Royal Australasian College of	Do not [routinely undertake chest X-rays for the diagnosis of		
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	bronchiolitis in children or] routinely prescribe salbutamol or		
Health Division^	systemic corticosteroids to treat bronchiolitis in children	Medication	<3yrs
Royal Australasian College of			
Physicians Paediatrics & Child	Do not routinely prescribe oral antibiotics to children with fever		<18yrs
Health Division	without an identified bacterial infection	Medication	Oral medication
College of Intensive Care			
Medicine of Australia and New			
Zealand	Avoid prescribing antibiotics for upper respiratory tract infection.	Medication	nil
The Thoracic Society of Australia	Do not use oral beta2 agonists as bronchodilators in asthma,		
and New Zealand	wheeze or bronchiolitis.	Medication	Oral medication
The Society of Hospital	Don't initiate and continue antipsychotic medicines for behavioural		
Pharmacists of Australia	and psychological symptoms of dementia for more than 3 months.		
			Continuing medication
Australian and New Zealand	Do not use antipsychotics as the first choice to treat behavioural		Two
Society for Geriatric Medicine	and psychological symptoms of dementia.	Medication	recommendations
Australian and New Zealand	Do not prescribe benzodiazepines or other sedative-hypnotics to		
Society for Geriatric Medicine	older adults as first choice for insomnia, agitation or delirium.	Medication	≥65yrs
Australian and New Zealand	Don't use opioids for the treatment of migraine, except in rare		
Association of Neurologists	circumstances.	Medication	nil
Faculty of Pain Medicine, ANZCA	Do not prescribe benzodiazepines for low back pain.	Medication	nil
The Australasian College of	Do not routinely prescribe antibiotics for inflamed epidermoid		
Dermatologists	cysts (formerly called sebaceous cysts) of the skin.	Medication	nil
Royal Australasian College of	Don't prescribe oral antibiotics for uncomplicated acute otitis		New problem
Surgeons	externa.	Medication	Oral medication
			New problem
			Non-Indigenous
	Don't treat otitis media (middle ear infection) with antibiotics, in		2-12yrs
Royal Australian College of	non-Indigenous children aged 2-12 years, where reassessment is a		Major city and Inner
General Practitioners	reasonable option.	Medication	regional practices
	Don't use antihistamines to treat anaphylaxis – prompt		
Australasian Society of Clinical	administration of adrenaline (epinephrine) is the only treatment		
Immunology and Allergy	for anaphylaxis.	Medication	nil

Australasian Society for Infectious	Do not [take a swab or] use antibiotics for the management of a		
Diseases^	leg ulcer without clinical infection.	Medication	nil
	Avoid prescribing pregabalin and gabapentin for pain which does		
Faculty of Pain Medicine, ANZCA	not fulfil the criteria for neuropathic pain	Medication	nil
Australasian Society for Infectious			
Diseases	Do not use antimicrobials to treat bacteriuria in older adults where		
	specific urinary tract symptoms are not present.	Medication	>65yrs
The Endocrine Society of			
Australia	Don't prescribe testosterone therapy unless there is evidence of		
	proven testosterone deficiency.	Medication	nil
The Royal College of Pathologists	Do not perform population based screening for Vitamin D		
of Australasia	deficiency.	Pathology	nil
Australasian Society for Infectious	Do not investigate or treat for faecal pathogens in the absence of		
Diseases	diarrhoea or other gastro-intestinal symptoms.	Pathology	nil
Society of Obstetric Medicine of			
Australia and New Zealand	Do not measure erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) in pregnancy	Pathology	nil
Society of Obstetric Medicine of	Do not do repeat testing for proteinuria in established pre-		
Australia and New Zealand	eclampsia	Pathology	Old problem
	Restrict the use of serum tumour marker tests to the monitoring of		
The Royal College of Pathologists	a cancer known to produce these markers or where there is a		
of Australasia	strong known underlying predisposition or suspicion.	Pathology	nil
Royal Australian College of	Don't test thyroid function as population screening for		
General Practitioners	asymptomatic patients.	Pathology	nil
Australasian Society for Infectious	Do not take a swab [or use antibiotics for the management] of a		
Diseases^	leg ulcer without clinical infection.	Pathology	nil
	In a patient with fatigue, avoid performing multiple serological		
Australasian Society for Infectious	investigations, without a clinical indication or relevant		More than three tests
Diseases	epidemiology.	Pathology	for fatigue problem
Australian Rheumatology	Do not order antinuclear antibody (ANA) testing without		
Association	symptoms and/or signs suggestive of a systemic rheumatic disease.	Pathology	nil
The Royal College of Pathologists	Do not perform surveillance urine cultures or treat bacteriuria in		
of Australasia	elderly patients in the absence of symptoms or signs of infection.	Pathology	>65yrs

Australasian Chapter of Sexual	Do not order herpes serology tests unless there is a clear clinical		
Health Medicine	indication.	Pathology	nil
The Endocrine Society of	Don't order a total or free T3 level when assessing thyroxine dose		
Australia	in hypothyroid patients.	Pathology	nil
The Endocrine Society of	Do not measure insulin concentration in the fasting state or during		
Australia	an oral glucose tolerance test to assess insulin sensitivity.	Pathology	nil
	Do not undertake faecal occult blood testing in patients who		
Gastroenterological Society of	report rectal bleeding, or require investigation for iron deficiency		
Australia	or gastrointestinal symptoms	Pathology	nil
	Do not use ultrasound guidance to perform injections into the		
Australian Rheumatology	subacromial space as it provides no additional benefit in	Referral (to	
Association	comparison to landmark-guided injection.	radiologist)	nil

^{*} Derived from items in the Choosing Wisely Australia Recommendations 'Tests, treatments, and procedures for healthcare providers and consumers to question' (https://www.choosingwisely.org.au/recommendations)

[^] These recommendations contain two distinct clinical activities relating to the same recommendation