What’s new?

At BMJ Best Practice, we commit to being at the forefront of medical challenges, providing the latest evidence-based information in a way that’s practical for the clinical setting.

In 2021 we continued to listen, evolve, test and innovate with healthcare professionals worldwide to bring exciting enhancements to BMJ Best Practice.

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**Enhanced CME/CPD user experience**
- Healthcare professionals can now document the impact BMJ Best Practice has on their clinical practice and patient outcomes.
- They can also easily see accrediting bodies specific to their region.

**Supporting patient health literacy**
- BMJ Best Practice now has more than 500 evidence-based patient information leaflets, each one has been reviewed by a patient representative to ensure it is clear, easily digestible and answers the questions that patients want to know.
- This year in response to healthcare professionals’ feedback, we have added patient leaflets to the app. These can be downloaded and shared via email, WhatsApp and SMS.
- Our patient leaflets are regularly updated to ensure the information remains abreast of the latest evidence: there have been 331 updates in the past 12 months. We also now cover all the "WHO Recommended Routine Immunizations for all Children".
- We have also added HTML versions of the patient leaflets to the website. This will improve user experience, and meet accessibility standards.

**Highlighting your local guidance**
- Following feedback from healthcare professionals, we improved the way local guidelines are displayed. Local guidance is now prioritised at the top of international guidance where it is available, increasing visibility for healthcare professionals.
- Local guidance will also now appear as an alert (similar to important updates) on relevant topic pages.
- Institutions can now add guidelines without linking them to a BP topic.
- Healthcare professionals tell us that having all this information stored centrally will enable faster decision making. As a result, this significantly improves the clinical workflow and ultimately, patient care.

**Important Updates anywhere, anytime**
- We have introduced Important Update notifications to the BMJ Best Practice app to ensure healthcare professionals have the latest evidence-based guidance anytime anywhere.

**Over 1,000 Cochrane Clinical Answers**
- We have expanded the number of Cochrane Clinical Answers (CCAs) within BMJ Best Practice to provide digestible answers to practical clinical questions based on gold-standard evidence from Cochrane reviews: There are now over 1,000 CCAs links in relevant BP topics.
Coming soon!

New evidence tables added

☑️ By the end of 2021, we expect to have added evidence tables to 100 of the most popular BP topics.

☑️ Evidence tables enable healthcare professionals to dig deeper into the evidence base behind key guidelines while linked evidence scores provide a reliability rating for the evidence supporting specific practical clinical recommendations.

Introducing OpenAthens/Shibboleth access on the app

☑️ Following user feedback, we are introducing federated access on the app. This will improve the user experience for healthcare professionals who use OpenAthens/Shibboleth as they will now be able to use these authentication methods to create an account directly on the app.

Introducing case reports to BMJ Best Practice Everywhere

☑️ Around 3,000 case reports will be introduced to BMJ Best Practice. This will provide healthcare professionals with access to information and guidance on rare diseases and uncommon conditions and presentations.

Comorbidities Manager*

Last year, we launched an innovative Comorbidities Manager which prompts clinical teams to consider their patient’s comorbidities when accessing treatment information, and produces an initial management plan tailored to the unique needs of your patient.

☑️ A further 25 topics will be added to the tool by the end of 2021. This brings the total number of treatment algorithm combinations to 38,325.

☑️ We have also enhanced the discoverability of the Comorbidities Manager by adding it to summary pages.

☑️ As we progress into 2022, we will be enhancing the treatment algorithm user experience and adding new information on frailty.

*Available with BMJ Best Practice 360 only.
BMJ Best Practice is still the highest rated clinical decision support app available. It has a user rating of 4.7 on Google Play and 4.8 on the App store.

90% of clinical staff stated that using BMJ Best Practice had an impact on their clinical practice.

“I recently used the app to look up paracetamol poisoning and the effect of asthma, just to be more aware of anaphylactic reactions. In another recent case, I looked up alcohol and benzodiazepines. If things did go wrong in either of these patients, having that prior knowledge would have resulted in them receiving much faster access to life-saving intervention.”

“BMJ Best Practice, by helping us to identify suitable drugs for the patient to go home with, very likely prevented him from returning with a wound infection.”

“By using it frequently I’ve found that I’ve learnt things I hadn’t even realised I didn’t know. BMJ Best Practice enables me to make the best decisions for the patient.”

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