

Therapeutic Guidelines Developing Countries Program Guideline Host App

While many countries have put huge time and effort into developing locally relevant clinical treatment guidelines, there are often barriers to disseminating and accessing these guidelines.

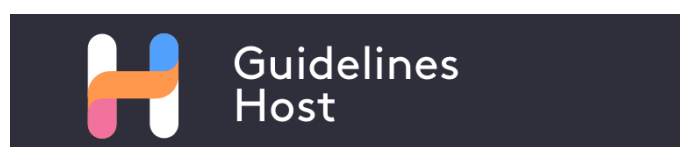
Therapeutic Guidelines Developing Countries Program has undertaken a project to build an app to host countries own local guidelines in an attempt to help overcome this gap.

[Therapeutic Guidelines](#) is an independent clinical guideline development organisation based in Australia, producing content across 14 titles. Therapeutic Guidelines was well placed to take on an app development project having recently developed a guideline hosting app for use by health professionals in Australia (eTG Complete), proving to be a popular guideline access mechanism with over 5000 downloads since launch.

Guidelines Host

Guidelines Host was developed to allow quick and easy access via hand held device to clinical treatment guidelines. The format of the app does not limit the scope of the app's capability to clinical guidelines, and other relevant materials could be hosted if required.

Two apps are developed, catering to both Apple and Android app stores and users. The apps are capable of hosting multiple guidelines, allowing clinicians to access local guidelines all via the one app.



App Logo

The app logo is a multi-layered H to reflect the app name 'Host' representing the guideline hosting function of the app.

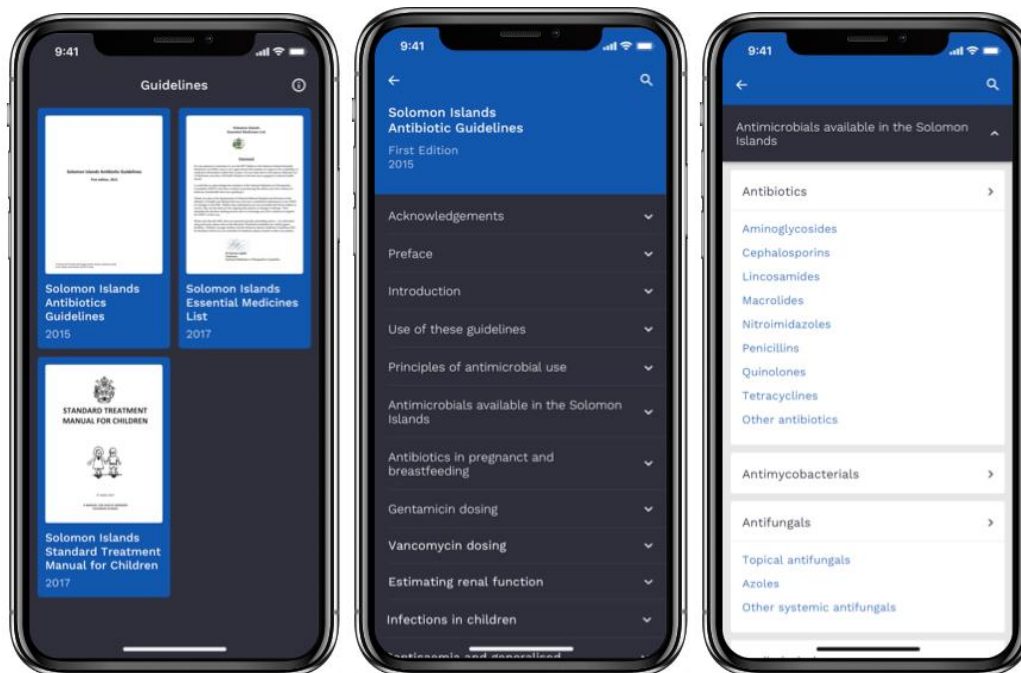
Country Specific Design

Individualised app branding allows the addition of the country name before "Guidelines Host" meaning each country can have a unique app inclusive of country colour scheme (see flag colour incorporated in below examples), relevant logo on the loading page and a unique name.

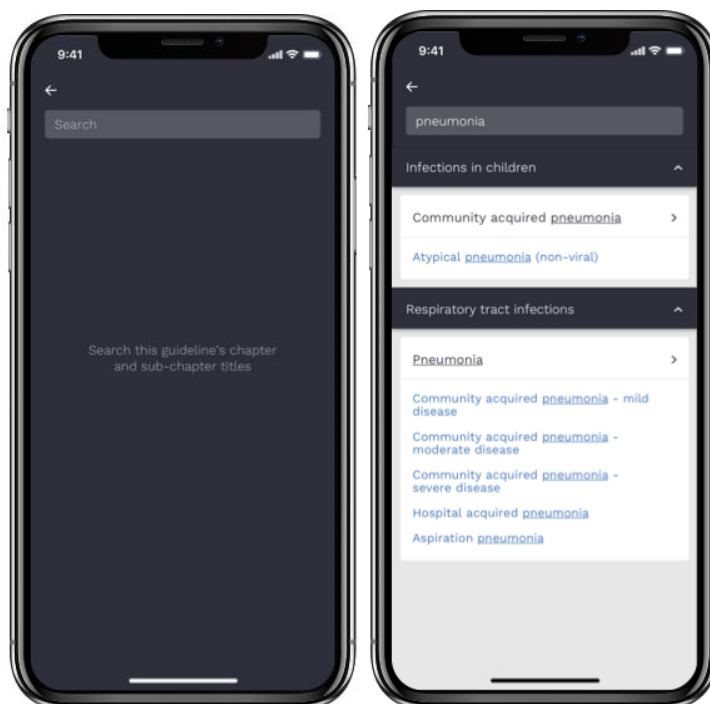


Navigation and search

The app allows for simple folder structure navigation with three levels of hierarchy.



A search function works across all terms included in the navigation contents.

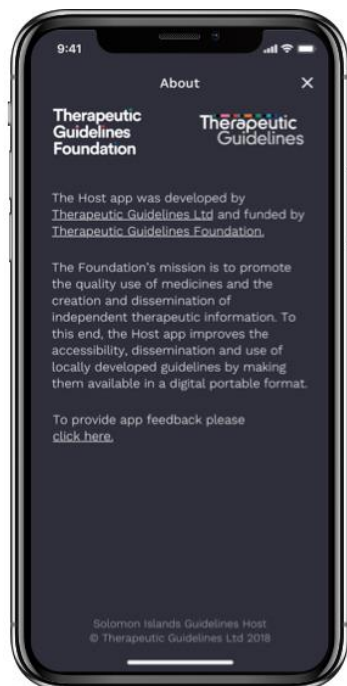


View

A PDF viewer is used to allow each page of the original publication to be viewed within the app. The contents of each page can be zoomed in and out using the pinch screen function. This means the app can easily display various types of content including tables, graphs, pictures and photos.

About

An about page includes information on Therapeutic Guidelines and Therapeutic Guidelines Foundation as the app's developers.



App Store

Apps are made available in an app store according to country preference. If there is a local app store, the app can be released here limiting external downloads. If no local app store is available, a regional or global app store can be used. Apps are developed for both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store per country requirements.

The app is free to download, with both Apple and Android app stores making information on download figures and locations available to TGL.

More Information

For further information, or to discuss adding your country's guidelines to Guidelines Host, please contact developingcountries@tg.org.au.

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