Clinical Practice Guideline For The Management Of Obesity In Adults In South Africa

The first clinical practice guideline for treatment of adult obesity in South Africa is to be welcomed as a valuable tool in the management of obesity in the country. This guideline, an adaptation of the comprehensive document produced by Obesity Canada, and which has also been adapted for use in several countries, has been customised to respond to South Africa's local context and needs and is published in this Special Issue of the SAMJ.

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The authors and Guest Editors are to be congratulated on the constructive and significant norms, standards key messages and recommendations that will go a long way in taking forward caring for obese patients in the country. The critical role of the reviewers is also appreciated.

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