

ASH ISTH NHF WFH Guideline Recommendations for Management of von Willebrand Disease (VWD)

- Evidence-based recommendations for treatment of VWD in the setting of major and minor surgery, testing during invasive procedures, use of desmopressin, and use of von Willebrand factor (VWF) concentrate prophylaxis.

Why it matters

- VWD is the most common inherited bleeding disorder.
- There is currently wide variability in clinical practice for treatment of VWD due to a lack of high-certainty evidence to guide decision-making.
- There are multiple subtypes of VWD that require individualized treatment based on specific diagnosis, with a range of symptoms and multiple therapies available to treat them. It is in the best interests of the physician and patient to have guidance to match the condition with the appropriate treatment.

Who it affects

- Hematologists, General Practitioners, Internists, OB/GYNs, Surgeons, Anesthesiologists, Dentists

The guidelines provide recommendations for shared decision-making that aim to increase access to quality care for individuals living with VWD.

What are the highlights