

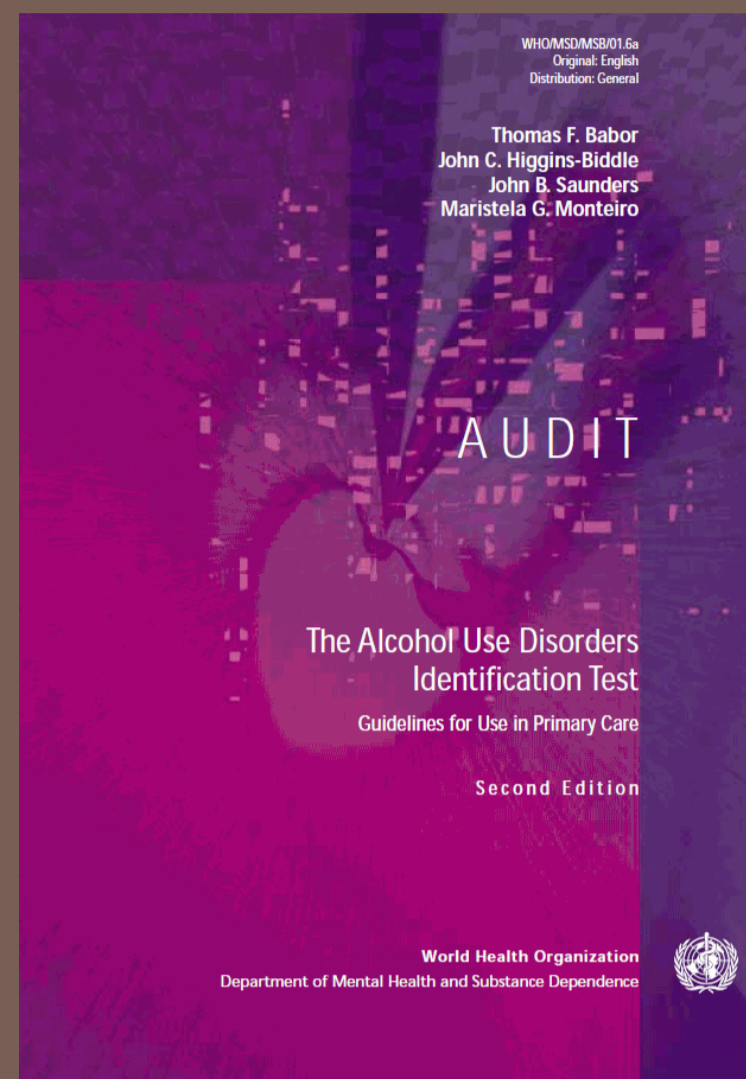
Beliefs, attitudes and behaviours of GPs and GP registrars in the identification of alcohol use disorders and the AUDIT-C tool: focus groups of GP teaching practices

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Background

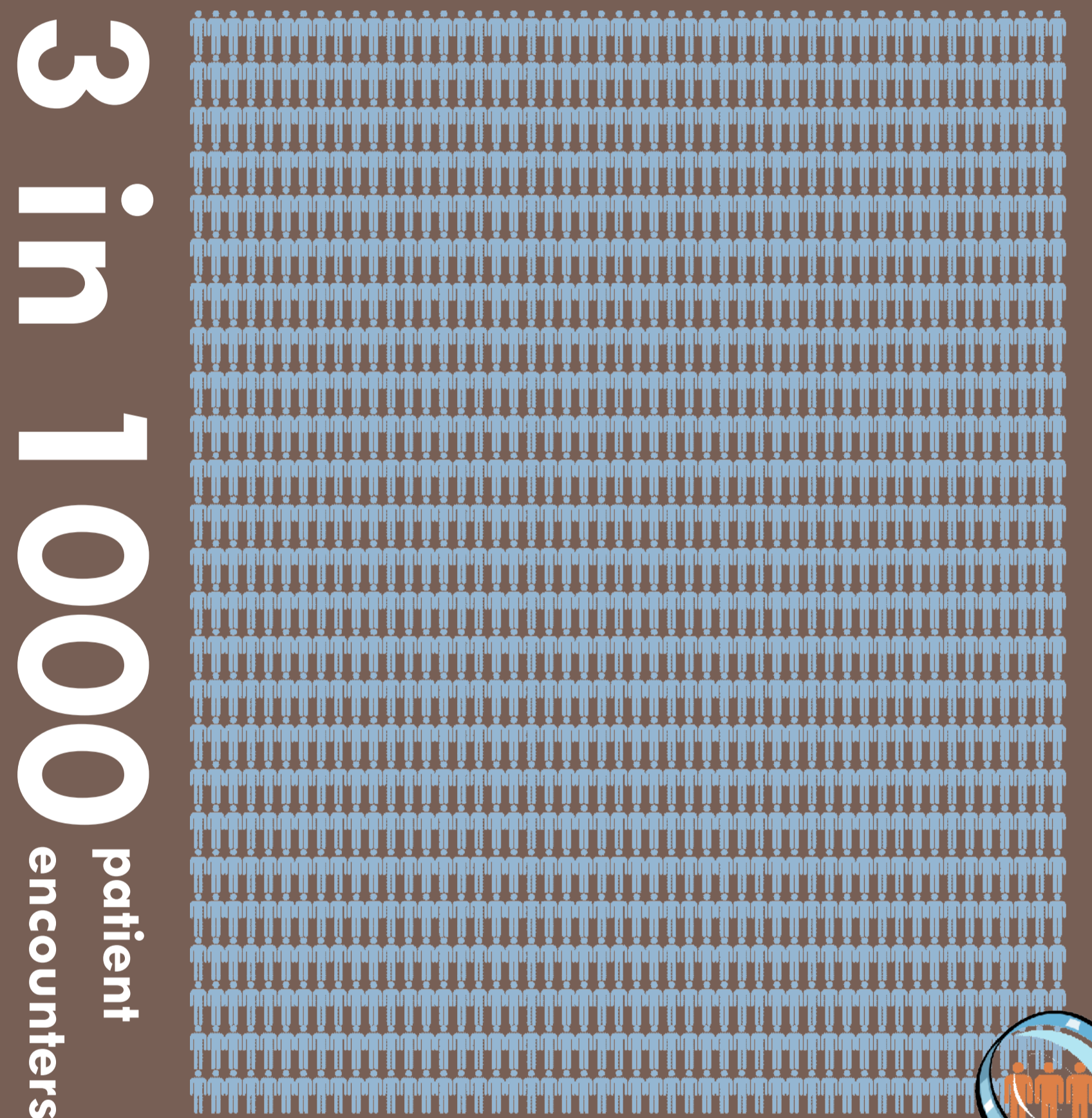


At risk drinkers
In adults presenting to Australian GPs [1]

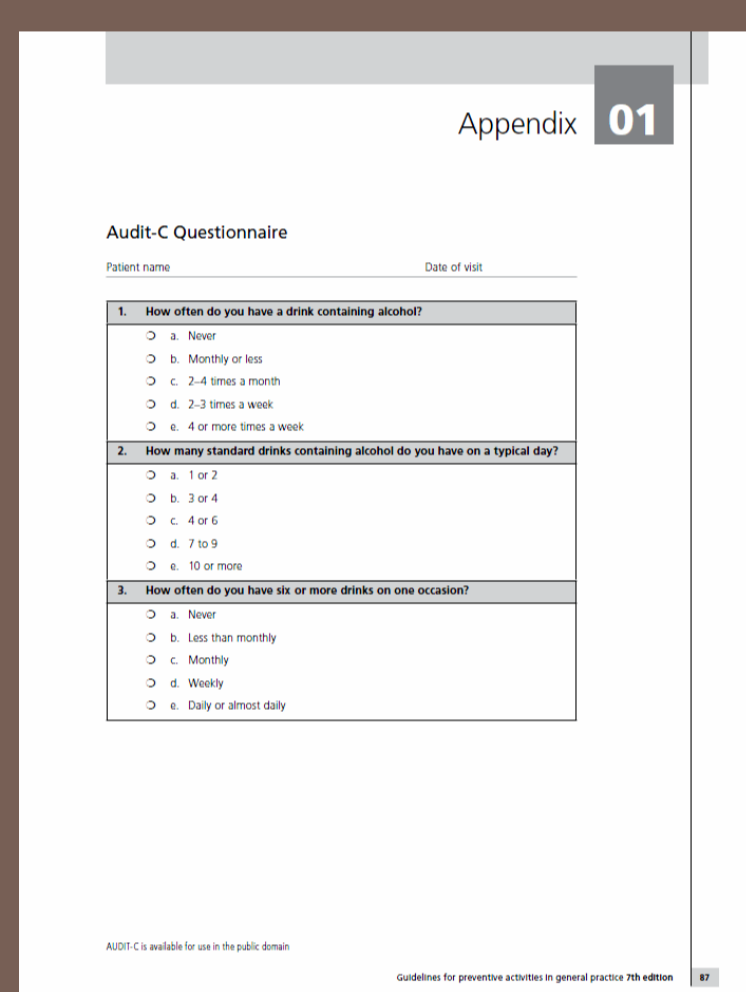


✓ Sensitive
✓ Specific
but...
“created more problems than it solved” [2]

but...



Alcohol advice given [1]



AUDIT-C?
✓ Simpler
✓ Validated [3]
✓ In “Red Book” [4]

Aim

To qualitatively describe the beliefs, attitudes and behaviours of Australian general practitioners in teaching practices, regarding the identification of patients with at-risk drinking, alcohol use disorders, alcohol screening and the AUDIT-C tool.

Methods

Focus groups in teaching practices in metropolitan Sydney



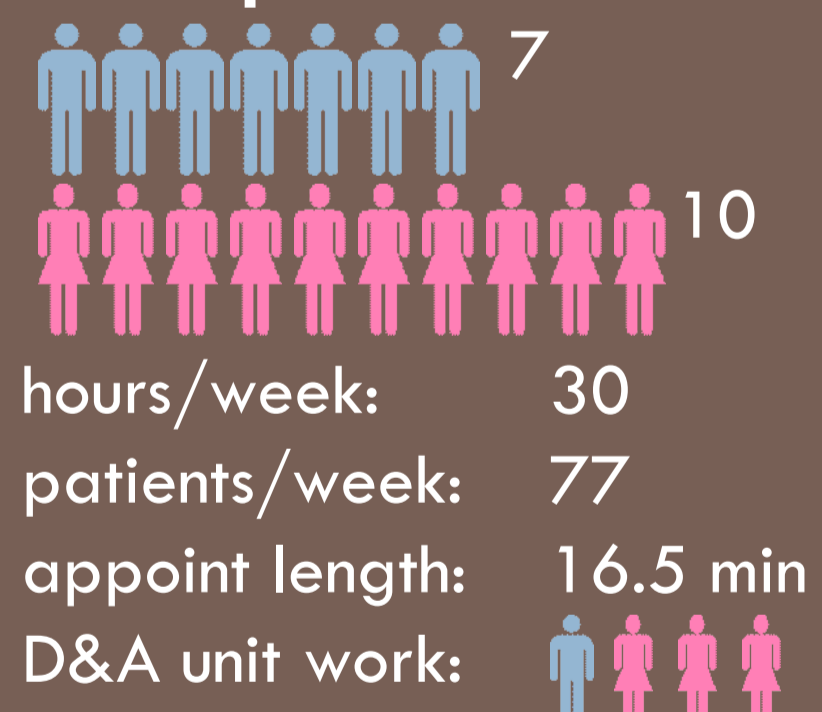
triggers {
Prevalence of at-risk drinking?
What do you think of identifying patients?
How do you identify these patients?
What do you think of alcohol screening?
What do you think of the AUDIT-C tool?



Results

Note: preliminary results from 3 focus groups only; the study is ongoing.

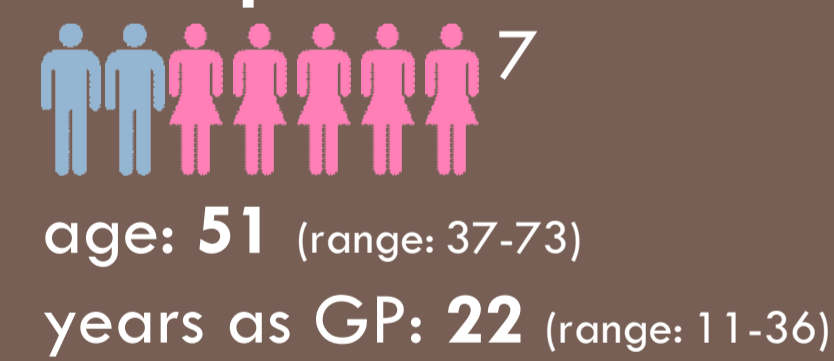
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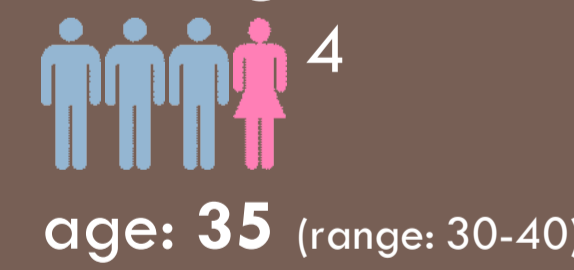
Practices



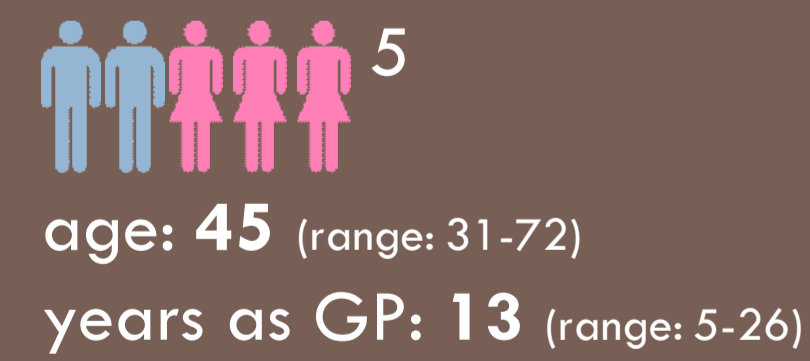
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GP Registrars



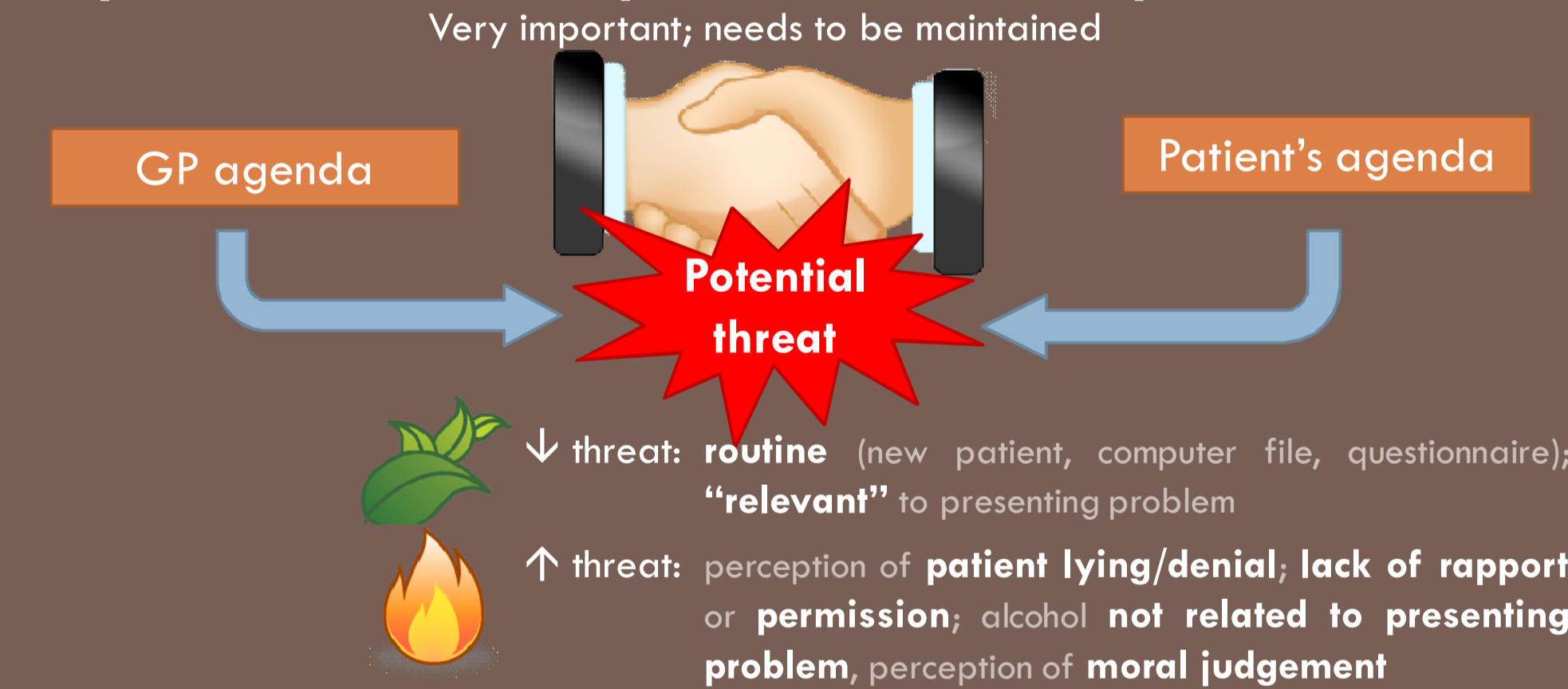
Other GPs



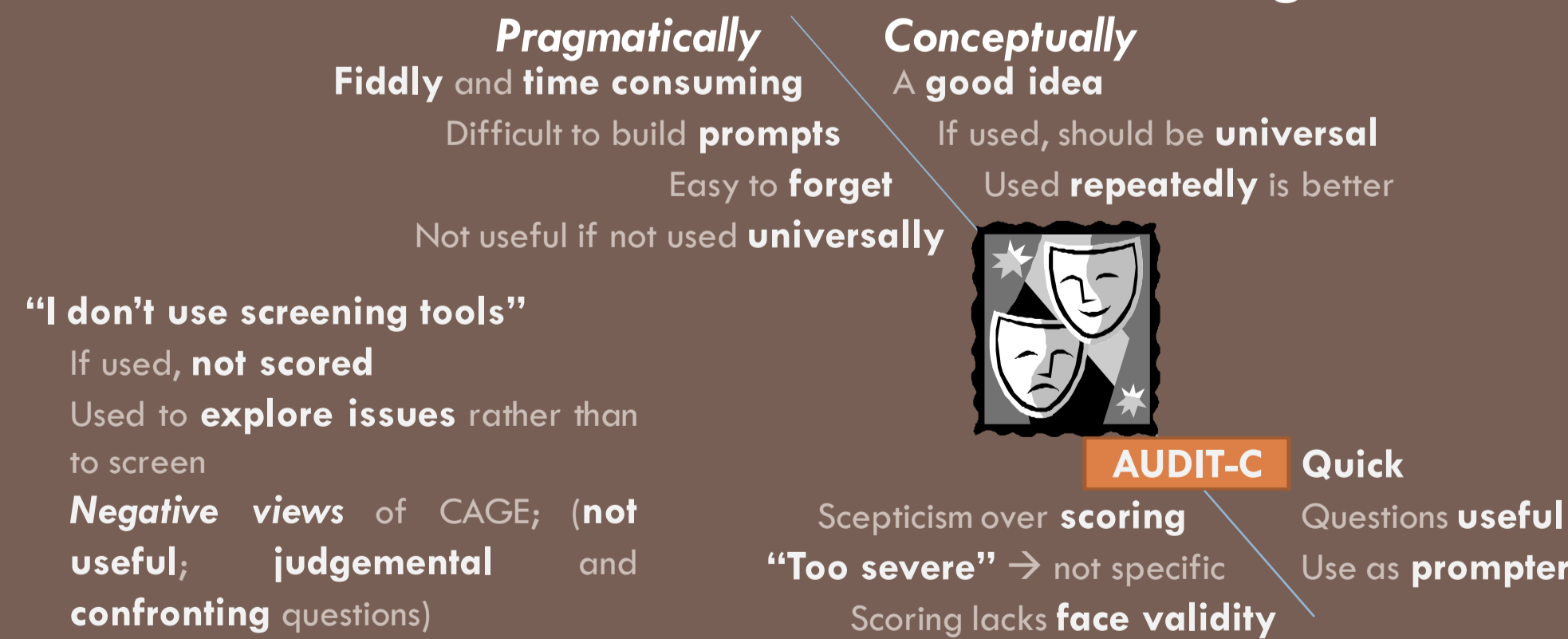
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Impact of the doctor-patient relationship



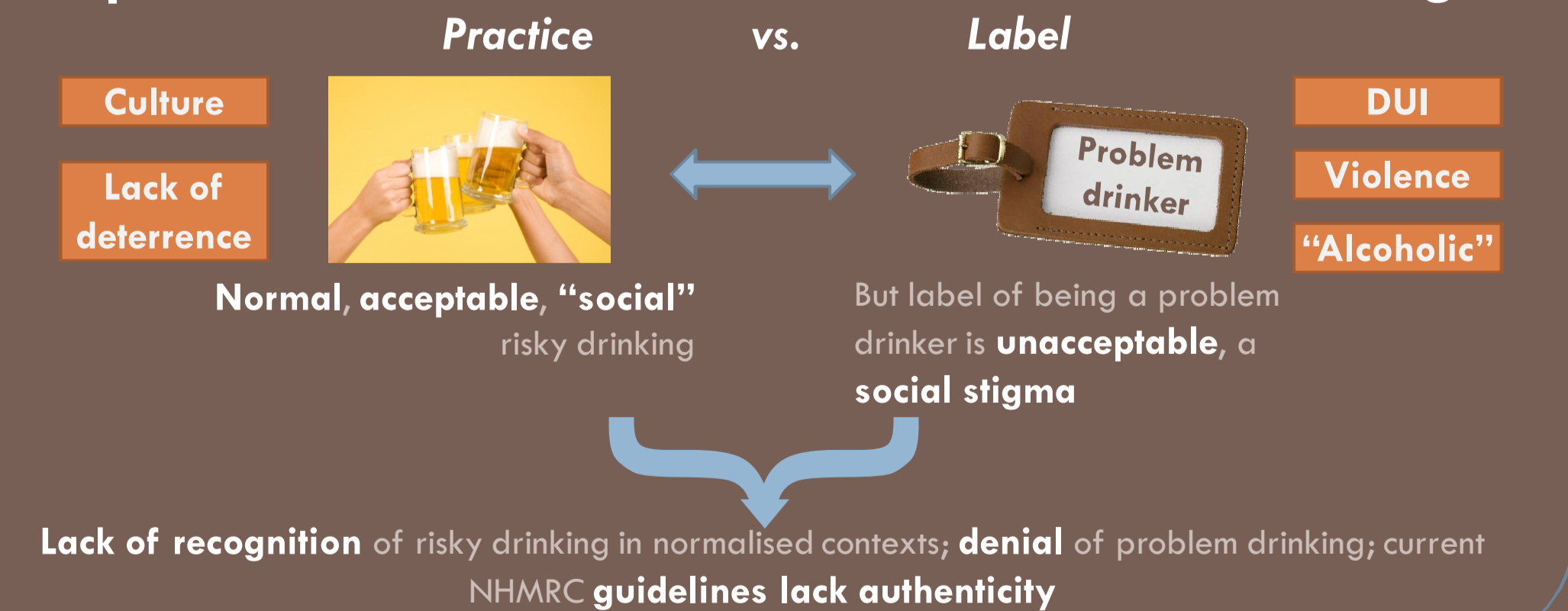
GP beliefs and attitudes on alcohol screening tools



Beliefs & attitudes on detection of problem drinking



Impact of social attitudes and the culture of drinking



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