Domain name
    Category name
        Sub-category name   Code

C	**Patient's categories**	**QC**
	Age groups	QC1
	Infants	QC11
	Children	QC12
	Adolescents	QC13
	Ageing	QC14
	Gender issues	QC2
	Men's health	QC21
	Women's health	QC22
	Social high risk	QC3
	Ethnic subgroups	QC31
	Migrants & refugees	QC32
	Homeless	QC33
	In jail	QC34
	Addiction	QC4
	legal products	QC41
	street drugs	QC42
	gaming	QC43
	Assault	QC5
	battered women	QC51
	victims of abuses	QC52
	torture	QC53
	ritual mutilations	QC54
D	**Provider (Doctor) issues**	**QD**
	Communicator	QD1
	Encounter management	QD11
	Doctor patient relationship	QD12
	Counselling	QD13
	Systemic	QD14
	Caregiver	QD2
	Problem solving	QD21
	Comprehensiveness	QD22
	Health education	QD23
	Clinical skills	QD24
	Continuity of care	QD25
	Palliative care	QD26
	A & E	QD27
	Care manager	QD3
	Health risk management	QD31
	Health issue management	QD32
	Health status assessment	QD33
	Outcome assessment	QD34
	Genetic issues	QD35
	Agent of prevention	QD4
	Primairy prevention	QD41
	Secondairy prevention	QD42
	Tertiairy prevention	QD43
	Quaternairy prevention	QD44
	Complementary medicine	QD5
	Medico legal issues	QD6
	Professional image & identity	QD7
	Health provider personal life	QD8
E	**Ethics**	**QE**
	Personal views	QE1
	Professional ethics	QE2
	Bioethics	QE3
	Euthanasia	QE31
	Infoethics	QE4
	Confidentiality	QE41
	Informed consent	QE42

H	**Hazards**	**QH**
	Environmental	QH1
	Indoor pollution	QH11
	Outdoor pollution	QH12
	Biological	QH2
	Nuclear	QH3
P	**Patient issues**	**QP**
	Diagnostic process	QP1
	Availability diag. process	QP11
	Safety diagnostic process	QP12
	Therapeutic process	QP2
	Availability of ther. proces	QP21
	Over The Counter	QP22
	Comfort ther. process	QP23
	Safety of ther. process	QP24
	Practice & health care organisation	QP3
	Availability of health care	QP31
	Accessibility of health care	QP32
	Acceptability health care	QP33
	Safety of health care org.	QP34
	Participation	QP36
	Patient's views	QP4
	Patient demand	QP40
	Patient appraisal	QP41
	Patient satisfaction	QP42
	Patient knowledge	QP43
	Patient autonomy/depend	QP44
	Patient cultural backgr.	QP45
	Patient expenses	QP46
	Patient health habits	QP5
	Nutrition	QP51
	Sexuality	QP52
	Self care & hygiene	QP53
	Travel	QP54
R	**R & D tools**	**QR**
	Science philosophy	QR1
	Epidemiology	QR2
	Pharmacoepidemiology	QR21
	Community health	QR22
	Functional status	QR3
	Research methods	QR4
	Qualitative study	QR41
	Research network	QR42
	Classification	QR5
	Scales & Questionnaires	QR6
	Health economy	QR7
	PHC planification & organisation	QR8
S	**Structure of practice**	**QS**
	Infrastructure	QS1
	Setting (incl. rural)	QS11
	Economy of practice	QS12
	Practice management	QS13
	Manpower	QS14
	Health Inform. Manag.	QS15
	Practice equipment	QS16
	Security	QS17
	Relationship	QS2
	Collaboration	QS21
	Referral/ countereferral	QS22
	Coordination of care	QS23
	Transdisciplinarity	QS24
	Professional bodies	QS3

T **Training & Knowledge management**	QT
Teaching	QT1
Teaching methods	QT11
Teaching curriculum	QT12
Teaching program	QT13
Training & knowl. Eval.	QT14
Training	QT4
Undergrad. or basic educ.	QT41
Post graduate education	QT42
Continuing medical educ.	QT43
Supervision methods	QT44
Trainers & Supervisors	QT45
Academics	QT46
Quality assurance	QT5
Theory & principles	QT50
Evidence based medicine	QT51
Guidelines	QT52
Critical reading & review	QT53
Peer review	QT54
Accreditation process	QT55
Practice assesment	QT56
Health device assesment	QT57
Editing	QT6
Printed	QT61
On line Information	QT62
Digital libraries	QT63
Reporting	QT7
Sentinel network	QT71
Drug reporting	QT72
Events reporting	QT73
O **Others**	QO

This authority list, adapted from an orginal work of Prof. Dr. Henk Lamberts about Q codes in 1987, has to be completed by further analysis of publications in General Practice and Family Medicine.

Careful analysis of the definitions, inclusion and exclusion criteria is now necessary in order to avoid as far as possible the heterogeneity and the overlap of the classes.

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