Bladder ultrasound scanning for the measurement of post-void residual urine volume

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Authors' objectives
Provide advice to rehabilitation centers and hospitals on the accuracy of bladder ultrasound scanning for the measurement of post-void residual (PVR) urine volumes during bladder retraining in patients with neurological disorders following stroke or spinal cord injury as compared to catheterization.

Authors' conclusions
The available evidence suggests that bladder ultrasound scanning is less accurate than intermittent catheterization. It appears acceptable for measurement of PVR urine volume in the context of bladder retraining programs. Institutions using the technology should have in place suitable training procedures and validate the accuracy of the method.

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