Tawasol Symbols — Qatar's Open, Culturally Localised Arabic/English AAC Symbol Set, With No Published Outcome Evaluation

Digital Inclusion · Good practice · Qatar

Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Mada and the University of Southampton, funded by QNRF, built Tawasol: a free CC BY-SA bilingual Arabic/English AAC symbol set designed with users, families and therapists to replace Western symbols. It has an API and app, but no outcome evaluation.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Innovation level	3/5
Sustainability (ongoing)	1/1
Evaluation evidence	0/1
Demonstrated reach	0/1
Documented learning	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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