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**Study design**

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| 1. The research question is stated  | Yes | No |
| 2. The economic importance of the research question is stated   | Yes | No |
| 3. The viewpoint(s) of the analysis are clearly stated and justified                                  | Yes | No |
| 4. The rationale for choosing the alternative programmes or interventions compared is stated          | Yes | No |
| 5. The alternatives being compared are clearly described  | Yes | No |
| 6. The form of economic evaluation used is stated   | Yes | No |
| 7. The choice of form of economic evaluation used is justified in relation to the questions addressed | Yes | No |

**Data collection**

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| 1. The source of effectiveness estimates used is stated  | Yes | No |     |
| 2. Details of the design and results of effectiveness study are given (if based on a single study)   | Yes | No | N/A |
| 3. Details of the method of synthesis or meta-analysis of estimates are given (if based on an overview of a number of effectiveness studies) | Yes | No | N/A |
| 4. The primary outcome measure(s) for the economic evaluation are clearly stated   | Yes | No |     |
| 5. Methods to value health states and other benefits are stated  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 6. Details of the subjects from whom valuations were obtained are given  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 7. Indirect costs (if included) are reported separately  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 8. The relevance of indirect costs to the study question is discussed  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 9. Quantities of resources are reported separately from their unit costs   | Yes | No |     |
| 10. Methods for the estimation of quantities and unit costs are described  | Yes | No |     |
| 11. Currency and price data are recorded   | Yes | No |     |
| 12. Details of currency, price adjustments for inflation or currency conversion are given  | Yes | No |     |

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| 13. Details of any model used are given  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 14. The choice of model used and the key parameters on which it is based are justified | Yes | No | N/A |

**Analysis and interpretation of results**

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| 1. Time horizon of costs and benefits is stated  | Yes | No |     |
| 2. The discount rate(s) is stated  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 3. The choice of rate(s) is justified  | Yes | No | N/A |
| 4. An explanation is given if costs or benefits are not discounted                     | Yes | No | N/A |
| 5. Details of statistical tests and confidence intervals are given for stochastic data | Yes | No | N/A |
| 6. The approach to sensitivity analysis is given                                       | Yes | No | N/A |
| 7. The choice of variables for sensitivity analysis is given                           | Yes | No | N/A |
| 8. The ranges over which the variables are varied are stated                           | Yes | No | N/A |
| 9. Relevant alternatives are compared  | Yes | No |     |
| 10. Incremental analysis is reported   | Yes | No | N/A |
| 11. Major outcomes are presented in a disaggregated as well as aggregated form         | Yes | No |     |
| 12. The answer to the study question is given  | Yes | No |     |
| 13. Conclusions follow from the data reported  | Yes | No |     |
| 14. Conclusions are accompanied by the appropriate caveats                             | Yes | No |     |

**Validity score: Yes/No/NA:**