

Supplementary file 3: Modified Evers checklist for methodological validity

Adapted from Evers S, Goossens M, et al. Criteria list for assessment of methodological quality of economic evaluations: Consensus on Health Economic Criteria. *Int J Technol Assess Health Care*. 2005;21(2):240-5.

Item	Yes	No	N/A
1. Is the study population clearly described?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Are competing alternatives clearly described?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is a well-defined research question posed in answerable form?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Is the economic study design appropriate to the stated objective?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is the chosen time horizon appropriate to include relevant costs and consequences?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the actual perspective chosen appropriate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Are all important and relevant costs for each alternative identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Are all costs measured appropriately in physical units?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Are costs valued appropriately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Are all important and relevant outcomes for each alternative identified?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Are all outcomes measured appropriately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Are outcomes valued appropriately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Is an incremental analysis of costs and outcomes of alternatives performed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Are all future costs and outcomes discounted appropriately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Are all important variables, whose values are uncertain, appropriately subjected to sensitivity analysis?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Do the conclusions follow from the data reported?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Does the study discuss the generalizability of the results to other settings and patient/ client groups?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Does the article indicate that there is no potential conflict of interest of study researcher(s) and funder(s)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Are ethical and distributional issues discussed appropriately?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>