

## A checklist for HTA reports

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Item	Yes	Partly	No
<b>Preliminary</b>			
1. Appropriate contact details for further information?	X		
2. Authors identified?	X		
3. Statement regarding conflict of interest?	X		
4. Statement on whether report externally reviewed?	X		
5. Short summary in non-technical language?			X
<b>Why?</b>			
6. Reference to the policy question that is addressed?	X		
7. Reference to the research question that is addressed?	X		
8. Scope of the assessment specified?	X		
9. Description of the assessed health technology?	X		
<b>How?</b>			
10. Details on sources of information and literature search strategies provided?			
Search strategy  YES	Databases  YES	Year range  YES	Language restriction  YES
Primary data  YES	Other kind of information resources  YES		
Complete reference list of included studies  YES	List of excluded studies  YES	Inclusion criteria  YES	Exclusion criteria  YES
11. Information on basis for the assessment and interpretation of selected data and information?			
Method of data extraction described?  YES	Critical appraisal method (for quality assessment of the literature) described?  YES	Method of data synthesis described?  YES	Results of the assessment clearly presented, eg, in the form of evidence tables?  YES
<b>Context?</b>			
12. Information on context ( <i>may or may not apply to each HTA</i> ).			
(Medico-) legal implications considered?  NOT APPLY	Economic analysis provided?  NO	Ethical implications considered?  NOT APPLY	Social implications considered?  NOT APPLY
Other perspectives (stakeholders, patients, consumers) considered?  NO			
<b>What then?</b>			
13. Findings of the assessment discussed?	X		
14. Conclusions from assessment clearly stated?	X		
15. Suggestions for further action?	X		