

## A checklist for HTA reports

This summary form is intended as an aid in recording of the extent to which a health technology assessment (HTA) report meets the 15 questions given in the checklist. To be completed and sent to the INAHTA Secretariat by email ([secretariat@inahta.org](mailto:secretariat@inahta.org)).

It is NOT intended as a scorecard to rate the standard of HTA reports – reports may be valid and useful without meeting all the criteria that have been listed.

An introduction, background, objective, context of material in the HTA checklist, etc is available at [www.inahta.org/HTA/Checklist](http://www.inahta.org/HTA/Checklist).

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