

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).

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.

Reference of report	DEEP TISSUE MASSAGE AS A COMPLEMENTARY THERAPY FOR MUSCULOSKELETAL PAIN
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Item	Yes	Partly	No
Preliminary			
1. Appropriate contact details for further information?	√		
2. Authors identified?	√		
3. Statement regarding conflict of interest?	√		
4. Statement on whether report externally reviewed?	√		
5. Short summary in non-technical language?			√
Why?			
6. Reference to the policy question that is addressed?	√		
7. Reference to the research question that is addressed?	√		
8. Scope of the assessment specified?	√		
9. Description of the assessed health technology?	√		
How?			
10. 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 √
11. 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? √
Context?			
12. 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? -			
What then?			
13. Findings of the assessment discussed?	√		
14. Conclusions from assessment clearly stated?	√		
15. Suggestions for further action?	√		