

CHEERS 2022 Checklist

Topic	No.	Item	Location where item is reported
Title			
	1	Identify the study as an economic evaluation and specify the interventions being compared.	Title, Page 1
Abstract			
	2	Provide a structured summary that highlights context, key methods, results, and alternative analyses.	Abstract, Page 2
Introduction			
Background and objectives	3	Give the context for the study, the study question, and its practical relevance for decision making in policy or practice.	Background, Last Paragraph
Methods			
Health economic analysis plan	4	Indicate whether a health economic analysis plan was developed and where available.	It was developed by the ARTSCAN 2 RCT group and included in the study protocol
Study population	5	Describe characteristics of the study population (such as age range, demographics, socioeconomic, or clinical characteristics).	Results, Table 1
Setting and location	6	Provide relevant contextual information that may influence findings.	Methods, Cost assessment
Comparators	7	Describe the interventions or strategies being compared and why chosen.	Methods, Patients and design
Perspective	8	State the perspective(s) adopted by the study and why chosen.	Methods, Patients and design
Time horizon	9	State the time horizon for the study and why appropriate.	Methods, Patients and design
Discount rate	10	Report the discount rate(s) and reason chosen.	Not applicable
Selection of outcomes	11	Describe what outcomes were used as the measure(s) of benefit(s) and harm(s).	Methods, Patients and design

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Measurement of outcomes	12	Describe how outcomes used to capture benefit(s) and harm(s) were measured.	Methods, Cost assessment, and Effect measure
Valuation of outcomes	13	Describe the population and methods used to measure and value outcomes.	Methods, Patients and design, and Results, Figure 1
Measurement and valuation of resources and costs	14	Describe how costs were valued.	Methods, Patients and design, and Cost assessment
Currency, price date, and conversion	15	Report the dates of the estimated resource quantities and unit costs, plus the currency and year of conversion.	Methods, in Cost assessments last Paragraph
Rationale and description of model	16	If modelling is used, describe in detail and why used. Report if the model is publicly available and where it can be accessed.	Not applicable
Analytics and assumptions	17	Describe any methods for analysing or statistically transforming data, any extrapolation methods, and approaches for validating any model used.	Methods, Cost assessment, Cost-effectiveness analysis
Characterising heterogeneity	18	Describe any methods used for estimating how the results of the study vary for subgroups.	Methods, Sensitivity analyses and subgroup analyses
Characterising distributional effects	19	Describe how impacts are distributed across different individuals or adjustments made to reflect priority populations.	Not applicable
Characterising uncertainty	20	Describe methods to characterise any sources of uncertainty in the analysis.	Methods, Cost-effectiveness analyses, Sensitivity analyses and subgroup analyses
Approach to engagement with patients and others affected by the study	21	Describe any approaches to engage patients or service recipients, the general public, communities, or stakeholders (such as clinicians or payers) in the design of the study.	Not applicable
Results			
Study parameters	22	Report all analytic inputs (such as values, ranges, references) including uncertainty or distributional assumptions.	Not applicable

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Summary of main results	23	Report the mean values for the main categories of costs and outcomes of interest and summarise them in the most appropriate overall measure.	Results, Table 2
Effect of uncertainty	24	Describe how uncertainty about analytic judgments, inputs, or projections affect findings. Report the effect of choice of discount rate and time horizon, if applicable.	Results, Table 3
Effect of engagement with patients and others affected by the study	25	Report on any difference patient/service recipient, general public, community, or stakeholder involvement made to the approach or findings of the study	Not applicable
Discussion			
Study findings, limitations, generalisability, and current knowledge	26	Report key findings, limitations, ethical or equity considerations not captured, and how these could affect patients, policy, or practice.	Results, Strengths and Limitations and under Declarations, Ethics approval and consent to participate, Funding.
Other relevant information			
Source of funding	27	Describe how the study was funded and any role of the funder in the identification, design, conduct, and reporting of the analysis	Declarations, Funding
Conflicts of interest	28	Report authors conflicts of interest according to journal or International Committee of Medical Journal Editors requirements.	Declarations, Competing interest

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