

Online Supplementary Material: Study Quality Evaluation Sheet.

Highlighted fields apply to this article.

First Author:

Year:

Criteria

Selection Bias (*before* allocation)

Randomisation

True: Computer-generated, Random Number Generation,
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Quasi: Alternation, Case record numbers, Birth dates, week
days

Allocation Concealment

Adequate: Computer allocation (e.g. central office), On-site
computer, Pre-coded containers (identical), Serially numbered
envelopes

Inadequate: Open Methods, non-opaque envelopes, odd/even
number medical records, DOB, days week, Alternation,
Unspecified tables, lists, random numbers, sealed envelopes

Performance Bias (*during* treatment)

Blinding*

*If a study is 'double-blind' it will be assumed
that the participant and HC provider are blinded.

If the study is said to be 'blinded' we will exclude it.

Participants

HC Provider

Only additional criteria:

Outcome Assessor

Data Analyst

Attrition Bias (*after* allocation and inclusion)

Reports withdrawals from trial

Per Protocol Analysis (second choice)

Intention To Treat Analysis (preferred)

Detection Bias

Blinding of outcome assessors?

Validity of Outcome Tools (i.e. information on outcome tools)

Selective Outcome Reporting

Study Included

Study Excluded

Name of Assessor

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