## Appendix 1: Search Strategy

- 1. home care services/
- 2. home health aides/
- 3. homemaker services/
- 4. homecare.tw.
- 5. (home\$ adj1 (care\$ or treat\$ or help\$)).tw.
- 6. (home\$ adj2 (service\$ or aid\$)).tw.
- 7. domiciliary.tw.
- 8. 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7
- 9. activities of daily living/
- 10. self care/
- 11. independent living/
- 12. (function\$ adj1 (independ\$ or abilit\$)).tw.
- 13. (self adj1 care).tw.
- 14. (activit\$ adj2 daily).tw.
- 15. (restorat\$ adj2 (care\$ or model\$ or service\$ or home\$)).tw.
- 16. (re-able\$ or reable\$ or re-enablem\$ or enablem\$).tw.
- 17. goals/
- 18. (goal\$ adj2 (set\$ or treat\$ or therap\$)).tw.
- 19. 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15 or 16 or 17 or 18
- 20. 8 and 19
- 21. randomized controlled trial.pt.
- 22. controlled clinical trial.pt.
- 23. (control\$ adj2 trial).tw.
- 24. intervention studies/
- 25. experiment\$.tw.
- 26. (time adj1 series).tw.
- 27. (pre test or pretest or posttest or post test).tw.
- 28. random allocation/
- 29. intervention?.tw.
- 30. evaluation studies/
- 31. comparative study.pt
- 32. 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31
- 33. 21 and 32
- 34. nursing home/
- 35.33 not 34
- 36. limit to adults

Study	Death	EADL	Admissions	Falls	Mood	HrQoL SCrQoL
Feldman <sup>24</sup>	I: 15% (of 229) C: 14% (of 175)	Change scores only – no difference between groups	Not Reported	Not Reported	CES-D No data – but reported no differences between groups	Not Reported
Glendinning <sup>25</sup>	I: 11% (74/654) C: 12% (44/361)	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Significant improvement in EQ5D score in re- ablement group (P<0.001). No change in control group. No significant differences in ASCOT
Gottlieb <sup>26</sup>	Not Reported	Change scores – no differences between groups	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	scores. Not Reported
King <sup>27</sup>	4M 1: 2% (2/93) C: 0% (0/93) 7M 1: 3% (3/93) C: 2% (2/93)	NEADL - 4M I: 44.3 (0.9) C: 45.0 (1.0) NEADL- 7M I: 44.2 (1.0) C: 44.4 (1.1)	Residential           4M           1: 3% (3/93)           C: 2% (2/93)           7M           1: 4% (4/93)           C: 2% (2/93)	Not Reported	Not Reported	SF-36 (overall) Between arm difference in change 3.8 (0.0, 7.7) P= 0.05.
Lewin <sup>28</sup>	3M I: 4% (4/100) C: 4% (4/100) <b>12M</b> I: 11% (11/100) C: 11% (11/100)	<b>PAF – IADL</b> <b>3M</b> I: 14.8(3.7) C: 14.9(4.1) <b>12M</b> I: 14.0 (2.8) C: 14.5 (3.9)	Residential 3M I: 1%(1/100) C: 2%(2/100) 12M I: 2% (2/100) C: 4% (4/100)	Not Reported	PGMS 3M I: 10.4 (3.6) C: 11.0 (3.7) 12M I: 10.8 (3.4) C: 10.9 (3.6) Significant difference in change (2.04, P=0.041)	Not Reported
Lewin <sup>29</sup>	3M I: 5% (17/375) C: 7% (25/375) 6M I: 17% (65/375) C: 19% (72/375)	Obtained from authors No difference between groups	Hospital/ Residential/ Hospice 3M 1: 13% (49/375) C: 7% (27/375) 6M 1:13% (49/375) C: 14% (52/375)	Not Reported	Not Reported	Collected but not presented in paper. No differences reported.

Study	Death	EADL	Admissions	Falls	Mood	HrQoL SCrQoL
Marek <sup>30</sup>	I: 11% (6/55) C: 7% (2/30)	Not Reported	Nursing Home I: 4% (2/55) C: 23% (7/30)	Not Reported	Mood indicators – Minimum dataset I: 0.3 (0.6) C: 0.7 (1.5) No difference	Not Reported
Markle-Reid <sup>31</sup>	I: 10% (6/62) C: 11% (7/64)	Not Reported	Hospital Admission I: 16%(of 62) C: 24% (of 64)	Not Reported	CES-D I: 8.61 (6.98) C: 13.64 (12.04) P=0.02	SF-36 Split into component scales – significant improvement in summary scales in intervention group.
Markle-Reid <sup>32</sup>	Group data not reported.	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	CES-D Difference in mean change in favour of I: 2.72 (0.39, 5.07), P 0.022	SF-36 Split into component scales
Markle-Reid <sup>33</sup>	I: 8% (4/52) C: 6% (3/49)	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	CES-D I: 11.40 (11.95) C: 12.62 (10.9) No difference	SF-36 Split into component scales
Parsons <sup>34</sup>	I: 0% (0/108) C: 4% (4/97)	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	SF-36 (overall) Intergroup difference in change from baseline P <0.0001 in favour of Intervention.
Tinetti <sup>35</sup>	l: 0.4% (3/691) C: 0.1% (1/691)	Home Mgmt I: 9.5 (2.9) C: 9.2 (3.0)	No longer at home I: 18% (122/691) C: 29% (201/691)	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported
Zingmark <sup>36</sup>	I: 9% (5/55) C: 9% (3/32)	Not Reported	Nursing Home I: 2% (1/55) C: 0% (0/32)	Not Reported	Not Reported	EQ5D Graphically displayed (no data)
Total (/13)	11	6	7	0	6	8

Study	Health	Caregiver	On-going	Participant	Provider
Feldman <sup>24</sup>	Economic	Strain	Homecare	Satisfaction	Satisfaction
Feldman	\$2,900 annual cost saving	Not Reported	Average of 6 less hours per	Participants at intervention site	Not Reported
	per person in		week in	significantly less	
	intervention		intervention	satisfied with	
	group		group.	service.	
Glendinning <sup>25</sup>	Re-ablement	Not Reported	Cost data, not	Not Reported	Not Reported
Ū.	associated	•	hours or per		
	with significant		participant.		
	decrease in				
	subsequent		Intervention		
	social care		participants used less social		
	costs.		care services		
	High		during follow-up		
	probability of		period.		
	cost				
	effectiveness.				
Gottlieb <sup>26</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Significantly	Nor Reported	Not Reported
			greater increase		
			in use of formal		
			service in		
			control group (change scores		
			only – no data).		
King <sup>27</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Reduced	Not Reported	Not Reported
5		•	Support		
			1: 29%		
			(22/76)		
			C: 0% (0/81)		
Lewin <sup>28</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Reduced/ Discontinued	Not Reported	Not Reported
			Discontinueu		
			3M		
			I:66% (66/100)		
			C: 11%		
			(11/100)		
			12M		
			I: 65%		
			(65/100) C: 26%		
			(26/100)		
Lewin <sup>29</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Needing on-	Not Reported	Not Reported
		•	going 'personal		
			care'		
			3M		
			I: 28%		
			(103/375) C: 64%		
			(238/375)		
			6M		
			I: 18%		
			(67/375)		
			C: 40%		
			(151/375)	1	1
Marek <sup>30</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Marek <sup>30</sup> Markle-Reid <sup>31</sup>	Not Reported Higher costs	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported Not Reported	Not Reported Not Reported
					Not Reported Not Reported
	Higher costs				Not Reported Not Reported
	Higher costs related to intervention; lower acute				Not Reported Not Reported
	Higher costs related to intervention;				Not Reported Not Reported

Study	Health Economic	Caregiver Strain	On-going Homecare	Participant Satisfaction	Provider Satisfaction
Markle-Reid <sup>32</sup>	No differences in health and social services cost at 6months.	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Markle-Reid <sup>33</sup>	Higher total per-person mean cost of health services in the intervention group.	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Parsons <sup>34</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Tinetti <sup>35</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported	Not Reported
Zingmark <sup>36</sup>	Not Reported	Not Reported	I: 30% (14/46) C: 75% (21/28)	Not Reported	Not Reported
		0	6	1	0

 Key:

 M = Months

 I = Intervention

 C = Control

 Deaths and admissions data is cumulative where there is more than one time point.

 Differences in data presentation reflects the different ways in which the data was reported (and what could be extracted) from the original papers.