

CHOICE – Core Health Outcomes in Childhood Epilepsy  
 COS STAR Checklist

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<b>INTRODUCTION</b>			
Background and objectives	2a	Describe the background and explain the rationale for developing the COS	5-7
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<b>METHODS</b>			
Protocol/Registry Entry	4	Indicate where the COS development protocol can be accessed, if available, and/or the study registration details	8
Participants	5	Describe the rationale for stakeholder groups involved in the COS development	5-8, 10-12, 14-15

		process, eligibility criteria for participants from each group, and a description of how the individuals involved were identified	
Information Sources	6a	Describe the information sources used to identify an initial list of outcomes	9-10, Figure 1, Supplementary 1 & 2
	6b	Describe how outcomes were dropped/combined, with reasons (if applicable)	9, Supplementary 2 & 4
Consensus Process	7	Describe how the consensus process was undertaken	10-12, 14-15 Supplementary 5
Outcome Scoring	8	Describe how the outcomes were scored and how scores were summarised	10-12, 14-15
Consensus Definition	9a	Describe the consensus definition	10-12, 14-15
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Protocol Deviations	11	Describe any changes from the protocol (if applicable), with reasons, and describe what	10, 14-15

		impact these changes have on the results	
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Outcomes	13a	List all outcomes considered at the start of the consensus process	Figure 2
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COS	14	List all the outcomes in the final COS	Figure 2
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