Multimedia Appendix

Main results of the economic evaluations conducted in each eligible study that addressed the domain of costs and benefits.

	Telemonitoring	Type of	
Study	(n1); Control (n2)	Analysis	Main Results
			Average number of home health episodes
			per patient, the length of care, and the
Rural home			mean number of visits per episode was
health			lower in the telemonitoring group.
agencies		Cost-Benefit	The total average cost/episode was lower
[42]	1513; 1573	Analysis	in the control group.
			Telemonitoring resulted in an incremental
			0.83 QALYs and cost savings of \$1929
Secondary			compared to control.
prevention			Telemonitoring was the preferred
of			treatment in 73% of simulations at a
cerebrovasc			willingness to pay (WTP) of \$0 per
ular disease		Cost-Utility	QALY, and 99% of the ICURs fall below a
[26]	228; 222	Analysis	WTP threshold of \$10 000 per QALY.
			Telemonitoring resulted in cost reductions
			in personnel, traveling, and
			hospitalizations.
			Telemonitoring resulted in fewer hospital
			admissions (18 versus 23 admissions),
Improve			shorter average lengths of stay (6.1 versus
health			7.6), and rehospitalizations (11 versus 16).
outcomes in		Cost-	The net difference in costs associated with
a rural area		Effectiveness	telemonitoring was \$106,601 during this 6-
[37]	47; 47	Analysis	month period.
			The cost of uncertainty regarding the
			decision on reimbursement of telehealth
			interventions for chronic heart failure
Chronic		Value of	patients is high in the Netherlands, and that
heart failure		Information	future research is needed on the transition
[40]	341;85	Analysis	probabilities.
			Telemonitoring provided a positive
			incremental NMB of £5164. The 1-year
			adjusted QALY difference between the
			telemonitoring solution and the usual care
			group was 0.0034 (95% CI: -0.0711 to
		Cost-Utility	0.0780).
		Analysis;	The adjusted difference in costs was -
TT		Cost-	±5096 (95% CI: -8/36 to -1456)
Heart	1	Effectiveness	corresponding to a reduction
tailure [27]	134; 140	Analysis	in total healthcare costs by 35%.
Cystic			Potential saving of €40,39′.00 per patient
Fibrosis	• • • •	Cost	tor 10 years, actualized at €36,802.97 for
[39]	29; 25	Analysis;	the follow-up of all patients enrolled.

		Costs-Saving	
		Simulation	
			A decrease in medical visits by 56% (p <
			0.001) in the telemonitoring group. No
			difference between the two groups in
			diabetes control or maternal and fetal
			complications.
			A 10-fold increase in nursing interventions
			in telemonitoring group.
Gestational			Satisfaction with care was high.
Diabetes		Cost-	Direct cost analysis revealed a savings of
Mellitus		Effectiveness	16% in patients followed by
[41]	80; 81	Analysis	telemonitoring.
			The QSQ social interactions domain
			improved significantly more in the control
			group. The EQ-VAS improved more in the
			telemonitoring group.
			Total costs were lower in the
			telemonitoring group.
Obstructive		Cost-	Virtual Sleep Unit was cost-effective for a
sleep		Effectiveness	wide range of willingness to pay for
apnoea [28]	94; 92	Analysis	QALYs.
			Improvements in glycaemic control (p =
			0.01) and patients' satisfaction with overall
			care $(p = 0.04)$.
Diabetes			Telemonitoring reduced costs, yielding a
[38]	74; 274	Cost Analysis	net cost savings of 8.8%.
			Telemonitoring reduced the number of
			hospitalization days and the number of
Chronic			emergency room visits.
obstructive		Cost-	Telemonitoring saved \$1613 per patient
pulmonary		Minimization	per year compared to traditional care,
[29]	60; 60	Analysis	representing a net gain of 14%.

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