

**Appendix 1. Quality of Included Studies Based on Drummond Checklist (Drummond 1996)**

Item No.		Quality of Included Studies (Yes/No)				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	Was a well-defined question posed in answerable form?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2	Was a comprehensive description of the competing alternatives given (i.e., can you tell who did what to whom, where, and how often)?	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
3	Was the effectiveness of the program or services established	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Were all the important and relevant costs and consequences for each alternative identified	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Were costs and consequences measured accurately in appropriate physical units (e.g. hours of nursing time, number of physician visits, lost work-days, and gained life years)?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Were the cost and consequences valued credibly	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Were costs and consequences adjusted for differential timing?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	Was an incremental analysis of costs and consequences of alternatives performed	Y	Y	N	N	N
9	Was allowance made for uncertainty in the estimates of costs and consequences	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
10	Did the presentation and discussion of study results include all issues of concern to users?	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
<b>Total</b>		10	10	8	9	8

Y: Yes.

N: No.