

Supplementary table 2: Potential hierarchies of data sources for economic analyses

<i>A - Baseline clinical data</i>	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Case series or analysis of reliable administrative databases specifically conducted for the study covering patients solely from the jurisdiction of interest - Recent case series or analysis of reliable administrative databases covering patients solely from the jurisdiction of interest
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recent case series or analysis of reliable administrative databases covering patients from another jurisdiction
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Old case series or analysis of reliable administrative databases Estimates from RCTs
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Estimates from previously published economic analyses: unsourced
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert opinion
<i>B - Costs</i>	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cost calculations based on reliable databases or data sources conducted for specific study – same jurisdiction - Recently published cost calculations based on reliable databases or data sources – same jurisdiction
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unsourced data from previous economic evaluations – same jurisdiction - Recently published cost calculations based on reliable databases or data sources – different jurisdiction
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unsourced data from previous economic evaluations – different jurisdiction
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert opinion
<i>C – outcome measure</i>	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Direct outcome measure assessment for the specific study from a sample either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) of the general population (b) with knowledge of the disease(s) of interest (c) of patients with the disease(s) of interest - Indirect outcome measure assessment for specific study from patient sample with disease(s) of interest; using a tool validated for the patient population
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Direct outcome measure assessment from a previous study from a sample either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) of the general population (b) with knowledge of the disease(s) of interest (c) of patients with the disease(s) of interest - Indirect outcome measure assessment from a previous study from patient

	sample with disease(s) of interest; using a tool validated for the patient population
3	- Indirect outcome measure assessment from a patient sample with disease(s) of interest; using a tool not validated for the patient population Patient preference values obtained from a visual analogue scale
4	- Delphi panels, expert opinion