

Presentation 8

Cost-effectiveness in the Colombian context



Challenges

- Availability of necessary skills/resources to undertake Colombian specific economic evaluations
 - More reliance on published studies?
 - relevance/usefulness for decision making?
- Availability of 'high quality' unit cost information relevant to the Colombian context
- Availability of Colombian specific preference data for use in generic measures
- Estimating a threshold willingness to pay
- Stakeholder engagement / acceptance

Draft economic methods guide

- Thoughtfully written
- Many uncontroversial recommendations
 - in line with good practice / what's done internationally
 - E.g. perspective, preference for final endpoints, acceptance of the need for a reference case etc
- Challenges around evaluative approach
- Intra-disease versus inter-disease comparisons
 - Analyses based on the former could create budgetary distortions?
- Role of evidence synthesis techniques when direct evidence is unavailable
- Role of non RCT data?

Controlling costs...types of recommendations

- ‘Only in research’
- Coverage plus further data collection
 - How to enforce?
- Direct price negotiation...
 - Possible?
- Cost-effectiveness evidence can inform these types of recommendations
- Need to “adequately” characterise decision uncertainty

Thank you