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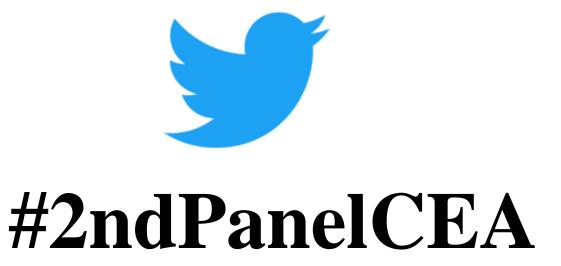




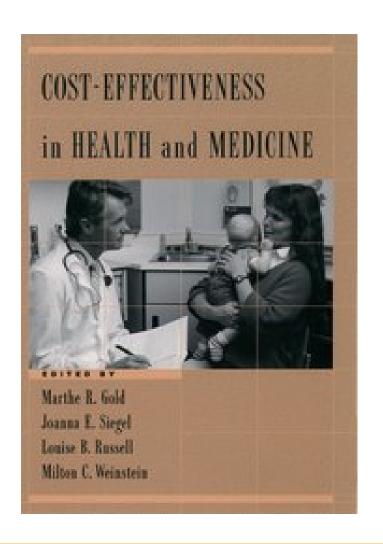








Original Panel



- "The Gold Book" 1996
- Recommendation for reference case
- Emphasis on cost/QALYs
- Became standard reference for CEA, cited more than 8,000 times

Original Panel

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Selected events since Original Panel

1996	US Panel publishes "Gold Book"
1998	WHO CHOICE project
1999	NICE established in UK
2004	IQWiG founded in Germany
2006	IOM report calls for CEA use, including \$/QALY, for regulations
	analyses
2008	ACIP establishes CEA guidelines for CDC
2010	ACA prohibits PCORI from using cost/QALY threshold
2012	2 nd Panel formed
2014	Gates Reference Case for Economic Evaluation

2nd Panel

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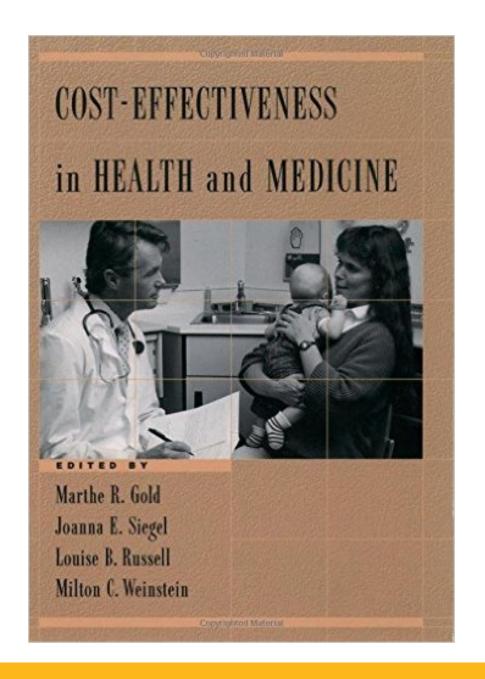






Overview of Key Recommendations

Moderator: Peter Neumann



Funding for 2nd Panel











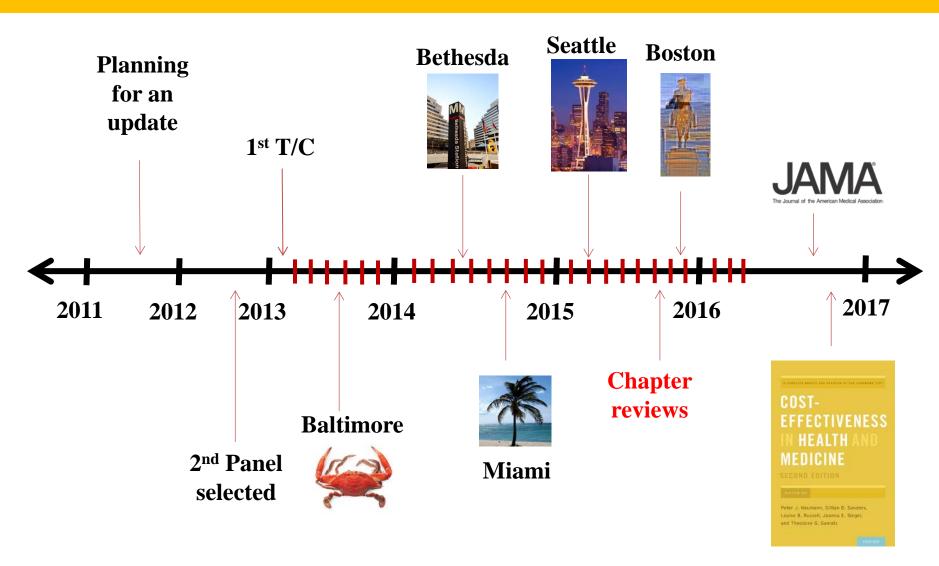
2nd Panel's Objectives

- Review the state of the field
- Provide recommendations to improve the quality and comparability of CEAs

Intended Audiences

- Policy makers
- Payers
- Researchers
- Clinicians
- Patients
- Others

The 2nd Panel's Process





Key considerations

- How closely to adhere to the original Panel?
- Theory vs. pragmatism
- How prescriptive?
- Analyst burden
- US vs. international

External review

Chapters reviewed by external experts

• Chapters posted for public comment, Fall 2015

• Also...Rebecca Gray, Technical Editor (extraordinaire!)





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Recommendations for Conduct, Methodological Practices, and Reporting of Cost-effectiveness Analyses Second Panel on Cost-Effectiveness in Health and Medicine

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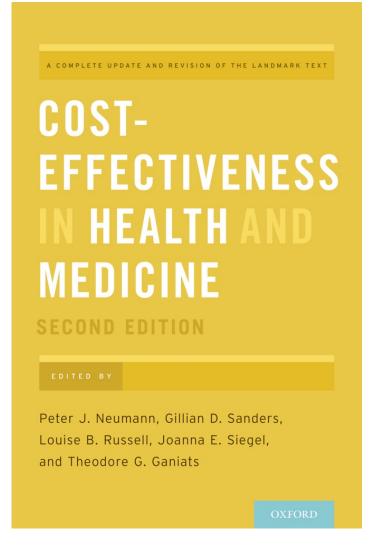


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Today's Agenda

9:00 AM	Overview and key recommendations
10:30 AM	Break
10:50 AM	Components of the Cost-Effectiveness Ratio
11:40 AM	DISCUSSION PANEL: The Second Panel's Recommendations
12:30 PM	Lunch
1:30 PM	Designing, Conducting, and Interpreting CEAs
2:20 PM	DISCUSSION PANEL: CEA and Policy Considerations
3:10 PM	Break
3:30 PM	DISCUSSION PANEL: Looking Ahead-the Next 20 Years
4:30 PM	Adjourn

Overview and Key Recommendations

Foundations and Controversy

David Meltzer, MD, PhD, University of Chicago

Mark Sculpher, PhD, University of York

Key Recommendations: Reference Case and Impact Inventory

Gillian Sanders, PhD, Duke University

Louise Russell, PhD, Rutgers University

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Foundations and Controversies

David Meltzer, MD, PhD













Role of Theory vs. Practical Decision Making

- CEA widely agreed to be a tool for maximizing desired outcomes from decisions subject to constraints
 - Decisions may be medical, public health or non-health spending or research
- Conventions (e.g., QALYs), variations (e.g., QoL) and controversies (e.g. distributional) about outcomes to measure
- Great diversity in which costs to consider, often tied to variation in perspective of a practical nature
- Theory (e.g., economic, psychological, ethical) can often inform these choices
 - Examples: net health benefits, future costs, value of information analysis

Need to align analysis with purpose vs. Comparability

- Need to align analysis with purpose suggests flexibility to assess costs benefits as relevant to decision-maker or decision-makers
 - Recommendation for Impact Table
- One key purpose is comparability across analyses
 - Comparability as opposed to alignment with purpose is motivation for reference case
 - Societal and Health Care Sector as commonly valued perspectives

Practitioner burden, publication challenges, and accessibility of findings

- Multiple references case and impact inventory create:
 - Added practitioner burden
 - Challenges in publication
 - Accessibility of findings
- Two reference cases and impact inventory were hard to agree upon because of these concerns

Areas of Ongoing Controversy

- How to value non-health effects of policy
 - Value non-health outcomes (e.g., educational attainment, crime)
 - Value effects on budgets of non-health parts of government
- How to value effects on others
 - Within the family (esp. via utility effects and altruism)
 - Distributional effects

Foundations and Controversies

Mark Sculpher, PhD

Professor of Health Economics Centre for Health Economics University of York, UK













The role of the loan European

- Use of CEA in Europe (even UK) often overstated
- But NICE provides something of an experiment
 - CEA central feature
 - Drives decisions across number of programmes
 - Health care and public health
 - NICE methods guide has sought to reflect the science
- CEA has had wins and defeats at NICE

Methods developments since 1st Panel

- Evidence synthesis
 - Network meta-analysis
 - Meta-regression
- Decision-analytic modelling
 - Cohort vs. individual-level simulation
 - Infectious disease modelling
- Uncertainty analysis
 - Probabilistic modelling and value of information
 - Reflected in policy decisions

Perspectives

- NICE perspectives vary by programme
 - Technology appraisal vs. public health
- Conceptual and practical issue: is there one 'societal perspective'?
 - Which costs and benefits?
 - How are these valued, weighed and aggregated?
 - Example of non-health outcomes
 - No single 'social welfare function'
 - Who defines the 'social welfare function'?
- Key contributions of 2nd Panel
 - Impact Inventory
 - Providing more than one perspective

Cost-effectiveness thresholds

- Appropriate cost-effectiveness 'threshold' key issue for NICE
- Conceptually clear: should represent opportunity costs
- Empirically unclear: NICE 'thresholds' have no empirical basis
- Debate in USA conflates two different questions:
 - How to allocate system's current financial resources
 - How to determine appropriate level of resource
- Health opportunity cost important for both questions
- 'Demand side' concepts (willingness to pay) still supported
- Contributions of 2nd US Panel
 - Outline different views on 'thresholds'
 - Key issue for policy implementation of CEA



The Reference Case and Impact Inventory

Gillian Sanders, PhD













Original Panel's Recommendations

- Reference Case
- Societal Perspective
- Consider all parties affected
- Address specific decision contexts as needed

Experiences since the Original Panel

- Many CEAs, most not using the societal perspective
- Even when stating using societal perspective – important elements often omitted
- Decision makers using CEA often have taken more focused perspective

Perspective: Second Panel's Considerations

- Appeal of societal perspective
- Potential to disregard revealed preferences of decision makers
- Is there a single "societal perspective"?
- Need to promote quality and comparability

Recommendation – Reference Cases:

- All studies represent a reference case analysis based on a health sector perspective and a reference case based on a societal perspective
- Measure health effects in QALYs
- Intended to enhance consistency and comparability

Recommendation: Health Sector Perspective

- Results should be summarized in ICER
- NMB and NHB may also be reported
- Range of CE thresholds should be considered

Recommendation: Impact Inventory

- Include impact inventory table which lists the health and non health impacts of an intervention
- Main purpose is to ensure that all consequences, including those outside the formal healthcare sector, are considered regularly and comprehensively
- Provides a framework for organizing, thinking about, and presenting various types of consequences

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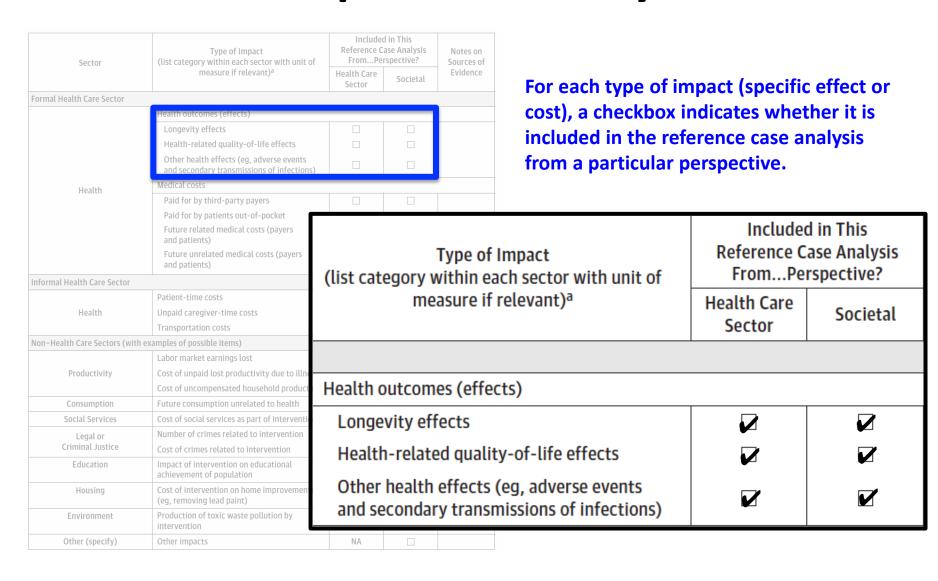
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Louise Russell, PhD

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Purpose and Use of the Impact Inventory

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Provides a framework for organizing, thinking about,
 and presenting various types of consequences.

Recommendation 3B Quantifying and Valuing Non-health Components in the Impact Inventory

Analysts should attempt to quantify and value nonhealth consequences in the Impact Inventory unless those consequences are likely to have a negligible effect on the result of the analysis.

Recommendation 3C **Summary and Disaggregated Measures**

It would be helpful to inform decision makers through the
quantification and valuation of all health and nonhealth effects
of interventions, and to summarize those effects in a single
quantitative measure, such as an incremental costeffectiveness ratio, net monetary benefit, or net health benefit.

 However, there are no widely agreed on methods for quantifying and valuing some of these broader effects in costeffectiveness analyses.

Recommendation 3C, continued **Summary and Disaggregated Measures**

- Analysts should present the items listed in the impact inventory in the form of disaggregated consequences across different sectors.
- It is also recommended that analysts use 1 or more summary
 measures, such as an incremental cost effectiveness ratio, net
 monetary benefit, or net health benefit, that include some or all of the
 items listed in the impact inventory.
- Analysts should clearly identify which items are included and how they are measured and valued, and provide a rationale for their methodological decisions.

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• A general framework describing the mechanisms of action of interventions, and their links to the items in the impact inventory, would increase the comparability and the effect of cost-effectiveness analyses. Development of such a framework, which corresponds to the structure of the impact inventory and suits most analyses, is an important future research need.

 In the meantime, the Panel's recommendation 3C advises analysts to present both summary and disaggregated measures of costs and health outcomes but stops short of recommending a single summary measure.

Reporting CEAs

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Reporting: Updated Recommendations

- Purpose
 - Transparency
 - Completeness
 - Comparability
- Key Updates
 - Structured abstract
 - Impact inventory
 - Intermediate outcomes
 - Disaggregated results

Structured Abstract Format

- Objective
- Intervention
- TargetPopulation
- Perspectives
- Time horizon
- Discount rate
- Costing year
- Study Design

- Data sources
- Outcome Measures
- Results of basecase analysis
- Results of uncertainty analysis
- Limitations
- Conclusions

Elements to include in Standard Abstract Format

- Objective
- Methods
 - ✓ Intervention
 - √ Target Population
 - ✓ Perspectives
 - √ Time horizon
 - ✓ Discount rate
 - ✓ Costing year
 - ✓ Study Design
 - ✓ Data sources
 - ✓ Outcome Measures

- Results
 - ✓ Results of base-case analysis
 - ✓ Results of uncertainty analysis
 - ✓[Limitations]
- Conclusions

Reporting Checklist

Introduction ■ Background of the problem **Study Design and Scope** Objectives ☐ Audience Type of Analysis Target population(s) Description of interventions & comparators ■ Boundaries of the analysis (scope) Time horizon Analytic perspectives ■ Whether this analysis meets the requirements of the reference case

☐ Analysis plan

Methods & Data Trial-based analysis or model based (plus additional descriptors) Key outcomes Complete information on data sources ■ Methods for obtaining estimates of effectiveness /evidence synthesis ☐ Methods for estimating costs & preference weights Critique of data quality Costing year Method used to adjust costs ☐ Type of currency ☐ Source and methods for obtaining expert judgment Discount rate(s)

Reporting Checklist, cont.

Impact Inventory

☐ Full accounting of consequences within and outside of the health sector

Results

- ☐ Results of model validation
- □ Reference case results: total costs & effectiveness, incremental costs & effectiveness, ICERs, measure(s) of uncertainty
- ☐ Disaggregated results for important categories of costs and/or outcomes
- ☐ Sensitivity analysis, other estimates of uncertainty
- ☐ Graphical representation of cost-effectiveness results & uncertainty analysis
- Aggregate cost and effectiveness information
- Secondary analyses

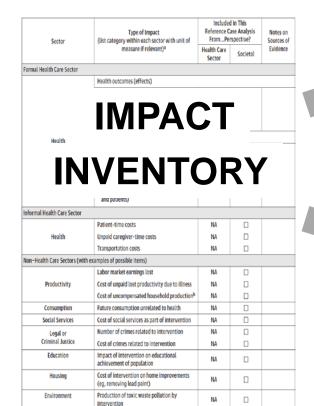
Disclosures

☐ Statement of any potential conflicts of interest relating to funding source, collaborations, or outside interests

Discussion

- ☐ Summary of reference case results
- ☐ Summary of sensitivity of results to assumptions and uncertainties in the analysis
- ☐ Discussion of the study results in the context of related CEAs
- ☐ Discussion of ethical implications
- ☐ Distributive implications of an intervention
- ☐ Limitations of the study
- → Relevance of study results to specific policy questions or decisions

Role of Impact Inventory



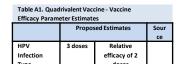
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Other impacts



Journal Submission/ Peer Review





Technical Appendix

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Highlighted Recommendations

- 2. For peer review, journal article plus technical appendix, including impact inventory
- 3. Use of a **structured abstract** for the journal article.
- 7. Reporting of intermediate health outcomes, disaggregated results, and measure of robustness as part of recommended set of results.

Reporting: Summary

- Continued emphasis on transparency: enough detail should be provided to allow for replication
 - Structured abstract
 - Reporting checklist
 - Impact inventory
 - Intermediate outcomes & disaggregated results
 - Technical appendix
- New guidance on conflict of interest
- Going forward: sharing models/data, new formats for presenting results, communicating results in an era of emerging technologies