



Mini-HTA for local decision-making

Hospital Based HTA;

what about methods, impact and future perspective?

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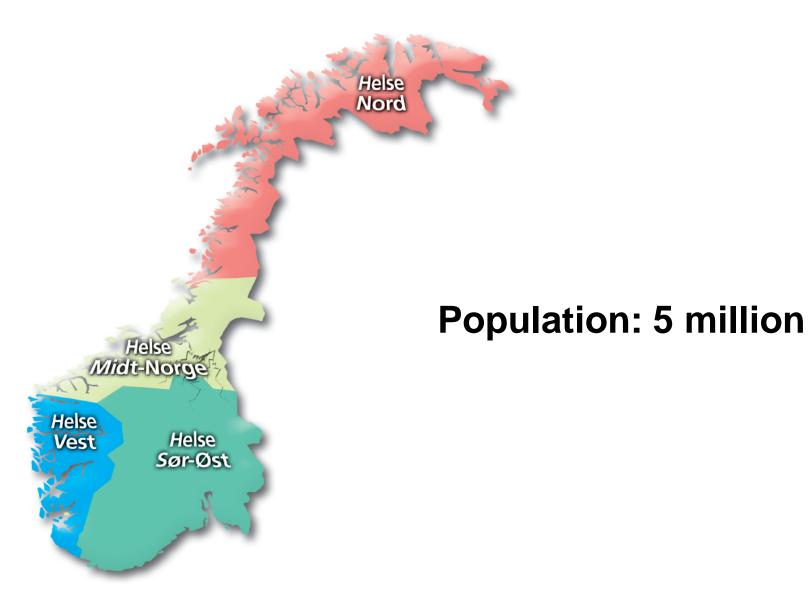








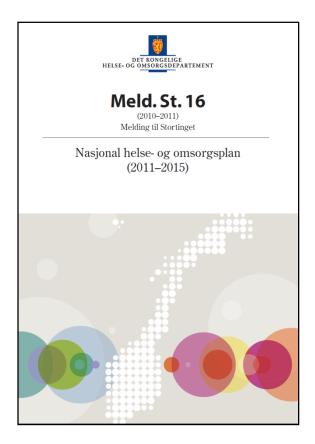
Four Regional Health Authorities





Background

The Norwegian National Health Plan 2011-15



Chapt 8 Quality and knowledge

- HTA for assessment of new technologies, at local, regional and national level.
- HTA for re-assessment of established technologies.
- Technologies with unclear evidence should be provided within clinical studies (CED).

HTA at all levels

National level

Guidelines
Reimbursement
Priority setting
Organisation of care

Regional level
 Organisation of care
 Clinical decision-making

Local (Hospital) level
 Clinical decision-making

Drugs Screening programs

HTA Rapid reviews



Procedures/ Devices treatments

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Mini-HTA internationally

New South Wales Health, Australia Southern Health, Australia

Alberta Health Services-Calgary, Canada Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), US

Mini-MTV, Denmark Landstinget i Östergötland, Sweden Västra Götaland, Sweden La Agencia de Evaluación de Technologías Sanitarias de Andalucía (AETSA), Spain







Ormstad SS et al. Mini-HTA systems internationally. NOKC 2010.

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What is mini-HTA?

- A 3 parted formula/checklist designed to support evidence-based decisions in hospitals for introduction of new technologies
- Questions concerning evidence on efficacy, safety, costs, organisational and ethical consequences for the new technology
- Prepared by clinicians, with support from persons or units with competence in HTA

Mini-HTA

Part 1

Description of the new health technology and the patient population, description of the search strategy, evidence for efficacy and safety, costs and ethical and organisational issues

Part 2

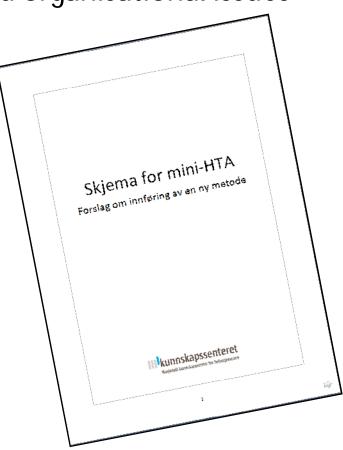
Report from peer reviewer

Part 3

Report on the decision-making

Appendix

Guidance





Pilot of mini-HTA in two Norwegian hospitals

Preparation - support and training before the pilot

- Push and strong support from local hospital management
- Support unit at regional level
 - Librarians, people trained in EBM, health economists
- Teaching sessions in HTA
- Methodological guidance

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Evaluation

1. Quality of completed mini-HTAs

- Appropriate answers to questions
- II. Literature searches in relevant databases and with appropriate terms
- III. Relevant systematic reviews or studies identified

2. Participants experiences with mini-HTA

- l. Clinician
- II. Peer reviewer
- III. Decision-maker
- IV. Support group

Quality of completed mini-HTAs

Literature searches

- Medium to low quality
- No search for systematic reviews in relevant databases
- No understanding of the difference between a study and a systematic review
- Efficacy and safety
 - high quality
- Costs
 - medium to low quality
- Organisational and ethical issues
 - high quality

Clinicians experiences

Questions	Answers from clinicians (N=6)
How demanding was the different sections of the mini-HTA?	Literature search and costs were very demanding
How long did it take you to complete the mini-HTA?	6-12 hours: 3 clinicians 15-20 hours: 2 clinicians 3 weeks: 1 clinician
Need for mini-HTA training sessions?	Yes: 3 clinicians No: 2 clinicians No answer: 1 clinician
Relevant input from peer reviewer?	Yes: 3 clinicians No answer: 3 clinicians
Did you find mini-HTA useful?	Not at all: 2 clinicians To some extent: 2 clinicians To a large extent: 2 clinicians

Additional comments from clinicians

"Mini-HTA leads to more bureaucracy within a system that is already heavy loaded with paperwork"

"Useful system to ensure thorough and uniform assessment of new technologies"

"Mini-HTA seems costly and with little scientific value"

"Clinicians should be given time to do it"

"We need to establish the role for mini-HTA in the decisionmaking process"

Decision-makers experiences

Question	Answer from decision-maker (N=4)
To what extent was mini-HTA helpful in decision-making?	To some extent: 3 decisions-makers To a large extent: 1 decision-maker
Assess the usefulness of the various sections in the mini-HTA form	Finding the evidence and assessment of effectiveness and safety was very useful: 4 decision-makers
How long did it take you to complete your part of mini-HTA?	0,3-1 hour: 3 decisions-makers Several hours: 1 decision-maker (incl. discussion with others)

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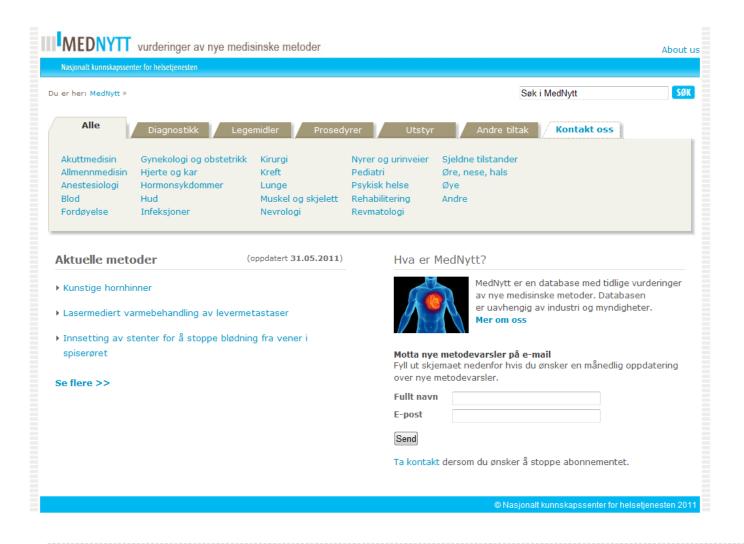
Additional comments from decision-makers

"I look forward to learn more about mini-HTA"

"When mini-HTA is incorporated as a routine prior to the introduction of new health technologies, I think this will be educational, useful, of scientific importance and cost-effective"

"It will take some time to let mini-HTA be a part of everyday clinical practice "

A database for mini-HTAs - free access



Summary

- Experiences and value of mini-HTA varies
- National "push", coordination and supervision
- Anchor mini-HTA system in local management
- Establish local/regional support groups with HTA competence
- Divide the work between clinicians and HTAexperts
- Establish systems for peer review
- Reduce duplication by providing free access to a national database for mini-HTAs

Thank you!

