**Supplementary Table 1:** Ranking of evidence for parameters used in the decision models using the hierarchy scale of Cooper et al.

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| **Level of evidence** | **Hierarchy of evidence** | **Clinical effect sizes/ adverse events and complications,  n (%)** | **Baseline clinical data, n (%)** | **Costs n, (%)** | **Utility, n (%)** |
| **A** | 1+ |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 (16.7) |  |  | 1 (16.7) |
| 2 | 2 (33.3) | 3 (50) | 5 (83.3) |  |
| 2+ | 3 (50) |  |  |  |
| **B** | 3 |  | 1 (16.7) | 1 (16.7) | 2 (33.3) |
| 3+ |  |  |  |  |
| **C** | 4 |  | 2 (33.3) |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 9 |  |  |  |  |
| NA |  |  |  | 3 (50) |

NA: not applicable.