

Economic plan

This plan identifies the areas prioritised for economic modelling. The final analysis may differ from those described below. The rationale for any differences will be explained in the guideline.

1 Guideline

Thyroid Disease

2 List of modelling questions

Review question by scope area	Should a fine-needle aspiration be under ultrasound guidance?
Population	People with thyroid nodules
Interventions and comparators considered for inclusion	Ultrasound guided fine needle aspiration cytology (UGFNAC) Palpation guided fine needle aspiration cytology (PGFNAC)
Perspective	Intervention with health outcomes in NHS setting (UK NHS and PSS costs)
Outcomes	True positives (Cancers detected) True negatives (Surgery avoided)
Type of analysis	Cost-consequences analysis
Issues to note	