

histological type, and lymph node section, segmentectomy had similar OS (HR 1.17, 95% CI: 1.00, 1.37; $p=0.2$) and LCSS (HR 1.10, 95% CI: 0.89, 1.36; $p=0.8$).

Conclusions: Segmentectomy can be used to treat patients with T1b stage NSCLC. Patients who undergo segmentectomy have survival outcomes that are the same as those of patients who received lobectomy. This evidence-based observation provides a reference for surgical choice in the treatment of patients with T1b stage NSCLC, which should be further confirmed through RCTs.

OP06 Development Of A Tool To Support The Collection Of Policy-Relevant, Stakeholder-Informed Clinical Evidence For Innovative Digital Health Technologies

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Introduction: The number of studies on digital health technologies (DHTs) for remote treatment and patient self-management is increasing. Existing health technology assessment (HTA) frameworks for DHTs, which guide researchers in generating evidence suitable for HTA, do not cover all domains of the commonly used EUnetHTA Core Model, and DHT-specific considerations have not been informed by a large stakeholder preference study. Our aim was to develop a stakeholder prioritized, literature-informed checklist of DHT-specific considerations that aligns with the EUnetHTA model.

Methods: We conducted two systematic reviews to identify: (i) DHT evaluation frameworks published to March 2020 for content; and (ii) primary research on DHTs published from 1 January 2015 to 20 March 2020.

Stakeholder prioritization of issues was performed using a best-worst scaling preference study among a broad cross-section of patients, carers, health professionals, and the general population in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the UK. Systematic review issues were prioritized and adapted for use as a practical checklist.

Results: DHT evaluation content was recommended by the 44 identified frameworks for 28 of the 145 issues in the EUnetHTA model and for 22 new DHT-specific issues. A coverage assessment of 112 clinical studies of remote treatment and self-management DHTs for patients with cardiovascular disease or diabetes revealed that less than half covered DHT-specific content in all but one domain, or traditional HTA content in clinical effectiveness and ethical analysis. The preference survey of 1,251 stakeholders identified broad agreement on the 12 most important DHT attributes, six of which were related to safety. The most important attribute was “helps health professionals respond quickly when changes in patient care are needed”, which is not a focus of existing DHT HTA frameworks.

Conclusions: The review identified mismatches in the content generated by DHT clinical studies and that required for DHT-specific

HTAs. These findings informed the development of an extended checklist comprising 22 stakeholder-prioritized DHT-specific considerations, which are aligned with the EUnetHTA model and will help ensure the planning of DHT-specific research generates evidence suitable for HTA.

OP07 Eleven Years Of Conitec: Advances And Challenges Of Patient And Public Involvement In The Brazilian Health Technology Assessment Process

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Introduction: Patient and public involvement (PPI) is a core element of the health technology assessment (HTA) process. Since its creation in 2011, the National Committee for Health Technology Incorporation (Conitec) has promoted initiatives to include stakeholders in HTA for the Brazilian Public Health System (SUS). This work aimed to present a report on the advances and challenges related to PPI in 11 years of Conitec.

Methods: A retrospective analysis of PPI actions carried out at Conitec was conducted, based on an analysis of minutes and records of meetings and discussions held internally and documents published on Conitec’s website.

Results: Events and meetings were held over the years with different actors interested in the HTA process. Since 2015, a plain-language version of the technical report has been made available to the public during public consultations for each HTA topic. Recently, a register of patients, specialists, and SUS managers was created to form a database and establish a network with the stakeholders. Since 2020, SUS users have been allocated time to speak at Conitec’s meetings. Qualitative analysis of public consultation documents started in 2021 and a pilot qualitative evidence synthesis was carried out in 2022. These initiatives, although not directly focused on PPI, increase the consideration of the perspectives of patients, family members, and caregivers in the HTA process.

Conclusions: PPI actions implemented at Conitec have significantly promoted inclusiveness and exchanges among stakeholders, contributing to a greater transparency regarding Conitec’s actions. Nonetheless, we have important challenges on our horizon, such as strengthening connections with primary healthcare managers and professionals and social movements. It is also strategic to expand the technical and scientific discussion on PPI and qualitative approaches with HTA researchers and the voting members of Conitec. Finally, another aim is to improve knowledge of HTA and public health policy among law professionals and the pharmaceutical industry in Brazil.