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How To Identify Technologies Eligible For HTA: A Bottom-up Approach

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Regione Emilia-Romagna

SERVIZIO SANITARIO REGIONALE
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- Approx 4,5 millions inhabitants (9 provinces)
- Publicly-funded regional Health System



Governance of medical devices

List of those available in public hospitals

To enter the list: request by clinicians to local committees

Approx 650 new medical devices requested each year

Local committees **decide** whether to

- 1. carry out a local assessment
- 2. submit the technology for a regional HTA (regional committee of medical devices)

Decision?







Technologies eligible for HTA: transparent decision

- Bottom-up approach and focus group methodology
- 2 panels: 22 decision-makers + 17 clinicians
- 2 parallel + 1 plenary sessions (from September to November 2016)
- Task: to identify elements that make health technologies eligible for HTA











Tool for reasoning (no scores): 32 items related to potential

- innovativeness
- clinical impact
- economic impact
- organizational impact
- contextual factors

each item to be valued on a 5-point Likert scale, explicit question on eligibility for regional HTA



Contextual factors: ex. pressure form patients/lobbies, opportunity for professional development (not in the literature)

Pilot phase started in April 2017

Full report available (in Italian) at: http://assr.regione.emilia-romagna.it/it/ricerca-innovazione/governo-tecnologie-sanitarie/attivita-dispositivi-medici/governo-dispositivi-medici