

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation for Treatment of Selected Behavioral Health Disorders

Draft key questions: public comment
and response

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Public Comments Submitted

The State of Washington’s Health Technology Assessment Program posted for public comment the draft key questions and proposed scope for a health technology assessment (HTA) on the topic of “Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation for Treatment of Selected Behavioral Health Conditions” between July 8 and July 22, 2022. **Table 1** lists the comments received and submitting organization.

Table 1. Number of Comments Received on Draft Key Questions on Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation for Treatment of Selected Behavioral Health Conditions

Comment Number	Organization	Location
1	Medicare Multijurisdictional Workgroup on TMS	Wisconsin Physician Service

Summary of Comments and Response

The comments provided did not suggest any changes to the key questions or scope of the review. The comments are summarized in **Table 2**.

Table 2. Summary of Comments Received on Draft Key Questions on Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation for Treatment of Selected Behavioral Health Conditions

Comment Number	Summary of comment	Response
1	Efficacy Question: Two areas of concern are the bias potential and the outcome duration of the studies available. Most are 3 months to 6 months with very few patients involved in most studies we reviewed. Duration of response was a key for us as well as the patient numbers.	We plan to abstract length of follow-up after treatment completion to assess duration of response. We will use certainty of evidence ratings to assess the bias potential and precision (e.g. sample size considerations) across the body of evidence for the major outcomes within each key question domain (i.e., effectiveness, safety, cost).