TITLE: Devices for Endometrial Ablation Therapy in the Outpatient Setting: Clinical and Cost-Effectiveness

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RESEARCH QUESTIONS:

1. What is the clinical effectiveness of devices for endometrial ablation therapy used in the outpatient setting?

2. What is the cost-effectiveness of devices for endometrial ablation therapy used in the outpatient setting?

METHODS:

A limited literature search was conducted on key health technology assessment resources, including PubMed, the Cochrane Library (Issue 1, 2009), University of York Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) databases, ECRI, EuroScan, international HTA agencies, and a focused Internet search. Results include articles published between 2004 and February 2009, and are limited to English language publications only. No filters were applied to limit the retrieval by study type. Internet links are provided, where available.

RESULTS:

HTIS reports are organized so that the higher quality evidence is presented first. Therefore, health technology assessment reports, systematic reviews, and meta-analyses are presented first. These are followed by randomized controlled trials, controlled clinical trials, observational studies, economic evaluations, and evidence-based guidelines.

The literature search identified one randomized controlled trial and nine observational studies on endometrial ablation therapy used in the outpatient setting. No health technology assessments, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, controlled clinical trials, economic evaluations, or guidelines were identified. Additional articles of potential interest are included in
the appendix. Articles which potentially applied to an outpatient setting, but did not specifically state such, are also included in the appendix.

**Health technology assessments**
No literature identified

**Systematic reviews and meta-analyses**
No literature identified

**Randomized controlled trials**


**Controlled clinical trials**
No literature identified

**Observational studies**


**Economic evaluations**
No literature identified

**Guidelines and recommendations**
No literature identified

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APPENDIX – FURTHER INFORMATION:

Randomized controlled trials


Observational studies


Economic evaluations


Review articles


**Additional references**

