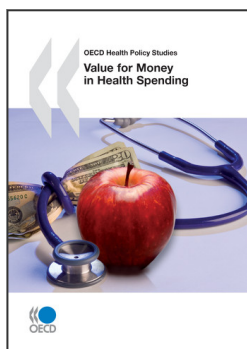


Acronyms

ADR	Adverse Drug Reaction
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction
BIA	Budget Impact Analysis
BMI	Body Mass Index
CAD	Canadian dollars
CAPI	Contract for Improvement of Individual Practice
CCM	Chronic Care Model
CDI	Communicable Diseases Intelligence
CDM	Chronic Disease Management
CEA	Cost-effectiveness Analysis
CED	Coverage with Evidence Development
CER	Comparative Effectiveness Research
CHD	Coronary Heart Disease
CHF	Swiss franc
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
CPOE	Computerised Physician Order Entry
DDD	Defined Daily Doses
DFID	Department for International Development
DIMDI	German Institute for Medical Information and Documentation
DMP	Disease Management Programme
DOQ	Doctor's Office Quality
DRG	Diagnostic-Related Groups
EBM	Evidence-based Medicine
EGA	European Generic Medicines Association
EMR	Electronic Medical Records
EUR	Euro
FFS	Fee-for-Service
G-BA	Federal Joint Committee of Health Insurance Funds, Hospitals and Physicians (Germany)
GBP	Pound Sterling
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GP	General Practitioner
GPII	General Practice Immunisation Incentive Scheme (Australia)
HAS	Haute Autorité de Santé (France)
HEDIS	Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set (Medicare, United States)

HER	Electronic Health Records
HIRA	Health Insurance Review Agency (Korea)
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HMO	Health Maintenance Organisation
HTA	Health Technology Assessment
ICD	Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator
ICER	Incremental Cost-effectiveness Ratio
ICO	Integrated Care Organisations
ICT	Information and Communication Technologies
IMS	Intercontinental Medical Statistics
INAHTA	International Network of Agencies for Health Technology Assessment
INN	International Non-proprietary Names
IOM	Institute of Medicine
IQWiG	Institute for Quality and Efficiency in Health Care (Germany)
LDL	Low Density Lipoprotein
LFN	Pharmaceutical Benefits Board (Sweden)
MCCD	Medicare Co-ordinated Care Demonstration
MPV	Medical Practice Variations
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MRP	Maximum Reimbursement Price
NAO	National Audit Office
NEHEN	New England Healthcare Electronic Data Interchange Network
NHA	National Health Account
NHS	National Health Service
NICE	UK National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
NZD	New Zealand dollar
OTC	Over the Counter
P4P	Pay-for-Performance
PACS	Picture Archiving and Communications Systems
PAS	Patient Access Scheme
PBM	Performance-based Management
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
PCI	Percutaneous Coronary Intervention
PEA	Pharmaco-economic Assessment
PGP	Physician Group Practice
PHO	Primary Health Organisations
PICS	Picture Archiving and Communications Systems
PIP	Practice Incentives Program
PMPRB	Patented Medicine Prices Review Board (Canada)
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
PPRI	Pharmaceutical Pricing and Reimbursement Information
PPRS	Pharmaceutical Pricing Regulation Scheme (United Kingdom)
PROM	Patient Reported Outcomes Measurement
QALY	Quality-Adjusted Life Year
QOF	Quality and Outcomes Framework (United Kingdom)
R&D	Research and Development
RBF	Results-based Financing

RBRVS	Resource-based Relative Value Scale
RCT	Randomised Controlled Trials
SBU	Swedish National Agency for Health Technology Assessment
SVR	Council on the Assessment of Developments in Health Care (Germany)
THE	Total Health Expenditure
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USD	US dollar
VAT	Value Added Tax
VIP	Value Incentive Programme
WADP	Weighted Average Disclosed Price
WHO	World Health Organisation



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