Content criteria: Does the decision aid	Met fully	Met partially
Provide information about options in sufficient detail for decision making?		
Describe the health condition	Х	
List the options	Х	
List the option of doing nothing	Х	
Describe the natural course without options		X
Describe procedures	Х	
Describe positive features [benefits]	Х	
Describe negative features of options	Х	
Include chances of pos/neg outcomes	Х	
Describe what test is designed to measure	Х	
Include changes of true pos, true neg, false pos, false neg results	Х	
Describe possible next steps based on test result	Х	
Include chances the disease is found out without screening	Х	
Describe detection/treatment that would never have caused problems if one	x	
was not screened	^	
Present probabilities of outcomes in an unbiased and understandable way?		
Use event rates specifying the population and time period	Х	
Compare outcome probabilities using the same denominator, time period,	х	
scale	^	
Describe uncertainty around probabilities	Х	
Use visual diagrams	Х	
Use multiple methods to view probabilities	Х	
Allows the patient to select a way of viewing probabilities [words, numbers,	х	
diagrams]	^	
Allow patient to view probabilities based on their own situation [e.g. age]	Х	
Place probabilities in context of other events		x
Use both positive and negative frames [e.g. showing both survival and death	х	
rates]	^	
Include methods for clarifying and expressing patients' values?		
Describe the procedures and outcomes to help patients imagine what it is	V	
like to experience their physical, emotional, social effects	Х	
Ask patients to consider which positive and negative features matter most	X	
Suggest ways for patients to share what matters most with others	Х	
Include structures guidance in deliberation and communication?		
Provide steps to make a decision	Х	
Suggest ways to talk about the decision with a health professional	х	
Include tools [worksheet, question list] to discuss options with others	х	

Development criteria: Does the decision aid	Met fully	Met partially
Present information in a balanced manner?		
Able to compare positive/negative features of options	Х	
Shows negative/positive features with equal detail [fonts, order, display of statistics]	х	
Have a systematic development process?		
Includes developers' credentials/qualifications	Х	
Finds out what users [patients, practitioners] need to discuss options	х	
Has peer review by patient/professional experts not involved in development and field testing	х	
Is field tested with users (patients facing the decision; practitioners presenting options	х	
The field tests with users [patients, practitioners] show the decision aid is:		
Acceptable	Х	
Balanced for undecided patients	Х	
Understood by those with limited reading skills (not target group)		х
Use up to date scientific evidence that is cited in a reference section or technical doc	ument?	
Provides references to evidence used	Х	
Report steps to find, appraise, summarize evidence		X
Report date of last update	Х	
Report how often patient decision aid is updated	Х	
Describe quality of scientific evidence [including lack of evidence]	Х	
Uses evidence from studies of patients similar to those of target audience Disclose conflicts of interest?	x	
Report source of funding to develop and distribute patient decision aid	х	
Report whether authors or their affiliations stand to gain or lose by choices	^	
patients make after using the decision aid	Χ	
Use plain language?		
Is written at a level that can be understood by the majority of patients in the		
target group	Х	
Is written at a grade 8 equivalent level or less according to readability score		
[SMOG or FRY]	Х	
Provides ways to help patients understand information other than reading		
[audio, video, in-person discussion]		X