Additional File 4. Summary of outcome parameters and source reported

Reference	Outcome	Source
Barnett (1999)	Annual mortality rate in 25 year olds	US life tables
[1]		
	Mortality rates on MMT	Based on a Swedish study comparing two groups of heroin addicts
		with different access to methadone
	Mortality rates not on MMT	Based on a Swedish study comparing two groups of heroin addicts
		with different access to methadone
Barnett (2001)	For untreated population, MMT, and	
[2]	BMT:	
	* Annual number of injections	Combination references sourced via literature review, details of which
	* % of injections that are shared	are reported in another paper by same authors. Assumptions also
	* Annual number of sexual partners	used, e.g. % in MMT in a given year that will detoxify successfully and

Reference	Outcome	Source
	* Mortality rate from non-HIV causes	cease further IDU
	* Success detox and cease treatment	
	Short term efficacy of MMT and BMT	Meta-analysis on short term use, assumption that short term efficacy
		the same as long term outcomes
Masson	Mean days of heroin use (self-reported)	Based on RCT comparing MMT to 180-day psychosocially enriched
(2004) [3]		detoxification for treatment of opioid dependence
	Urine toxicology screening	
Negrin (2006)	Treatment retention rates	12 month data obtained from a multicentre study comparing three
[4]		MMT programmes in five drug treatment centres in Barcelona
Schackman	Treatment retention rates on BMT	Derived from prospective observational cohort study of 53 long term
(2012) [5]		opioid users treated with office-based BUP/NAL in primary care
	Illicit drug use while on BMT	setting.

Reference	Outcome	Source
	Using illicit drugs while off treatment	Based on evidence from the National Treatment Outcome Research Study (NTORS). This was a study carried out by the National Addiction Centre in England and Wales between the years 1995 and 2000 - the largest UK drug treatment outcome study at the time. This study followed up the clients of a variety of drug treatment service types for up to five years, examining a wide range of outcome measures.
Sheerin (2004) [6]	MMT treatment outcomes	Based on published reference which reports on addict death rates during a four year posttreatment follow-up.
	HCV disease	Full details not reported in this paper. However, sources for HCV transition probabilities are reported in another reference by same authors on the costs of not treating hepatitis C virus infection in injecting drug users in New Zealand
Stephen	Completing MMT	Meta-analysis based on 15 studies MMT

Reference	Outcome	Source
(2012) [7]		
	Completing with clean urine	
	Complications on DBS	Published reference on a decision analysis study of deep brain
		stimulation compared with bariatric surgery for the treatment of morbid
		obesity.
Tran (2012)	MMT treatment outcomes	Longitudinal cohort study across 6 MMT clinics in Vietnam
[8]		
	Drug-use behaviour	
	New cases of HIV averted due to MMT	Based on a published model (UNAIDS Mode of Transmission model)
	(estimates based on the number of risk	in which short term estimates of HIV incidence by transmission are
	acts [unsafe sex, drug injection, etc],	modelled.
	percentage of protected acts and	
	current prevalence of HIV)	
	Outcomes related to ART (including	Combination of publically available reference sources and healthcare

Reference	Outcome	Source
	retention on treatment, drop-off rates,	databases.
	viral suppression rates)	
Zaric (2000)	MMT outcomes	Based on sources found in literature based and reported in another
[9]		reference by same authors. Assumptions were also made where
	Mortality rates on MMT	multiple sources were found
	HIV transmission rates	
Zaric (2000)	MMT treatment outcomes	Based on published literature
[10]		
	Sexual behaviour in IDU and non IDU	
	Injection drug behaviour	
	HIV transmission rates	
	Disease progression to AIDS	
Zarkin (2005)	Heroin use	Estimated based on published literature

Reference	Outcome	Source
[11]		
	Heroin treatment	Estimated based on published literature
	Crime rates	Estimated based on published literature
	Employment rates	Estimated based on published literature
Miller (2004)	Outcomes on MHPP	National statistics, open cohort study of IDU and Swiss Heroin study
[12]		
Adi (2007) [13]	Treatment retention rates on NAL	Meta-analysis of 5 RCTs
	Level and nature of drug misuse	One RCT
	Number injecting versus non-injecting	Based on evidence from the National Treatment Outcome Research
		Study (NTORS). This was a study carried out by the National
		Addiction Centre in England and Wales between the years 1995 and
		2000 - the largest UK drug treatment outcome study at the time. This
		study followed up the clients of a variety of drug treatment service

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		types for up to five years, examining a wide range of outcome
		measures.
Connock	Treatment retention rates on BMT and	Cochrane systematic review of buprenorphine maintenance versus
(2007) [14]	MMT	placebo or methadone maintenance for opioid dependence
	Level and nature of drug misuse	
	Number injecting versus non-injecting	Based on evidence from the National Treatment Outcome Research
		Study (NTORS). This was a study carried out by the National
		Addiction Centre in England and Wales between the years 1995 and
		2000 - the largest UK drug treatment outcome study at the time. This
		study followed up the clients of a variety of drug treatment service
		types for up to five years, examining a wide range of outcome
		measures.
Schering-	Treatment retention rates on BMT	Based on a randomized double-blind trial with 405 opioid-dependent
Plough (2007)		patients in which buprenorphine was compared to methadone

Reference	Outcome	Source
[15]		maintenance therapy

BMT, buprenorphine maintenance treatment; BUP/NAL, buprenorphine-naloxone combination; DBS, deep brain stimulation; HCV, hepatitis C virus; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; IDU, injecting drug user; MHPP, Medical Heroin Prescription Program; MMT, methadone maintenance treatment; NAL, naltrexone; RCT, randomised controlled trial; UK, United Kingdom; US, United States

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