

## Considered Judgment Form

<b>Key question:</b>	<b>Evidence table ref:</b>
<b>1. Volume of evidence</b> <i>Comment here on any issues concerning the quantity of evidence available on this topic and its methodological quality.</i>	
<b>2. Consistency</b> <i>Comment here on the degree of consistency demonstrated by the available of evidence. Where there are conflicting results, indicate how the group formed a judgement as to the overall direction of the evidence</i>	
<b>3. Applicability</b> <i>Comment here on the extent to which the evidence is directly applicable in the New Zealand setting. Comment here on how reasonable it is to generalise from the results of the studies used as evidence to the target population for this guideline.</i>	
<b>4. Clinical impact</b> <i>Comment here on the potential clinical impact that the intervention in question might have – e.g. size of patient population; magnitude of effect; relative benefit over other management options; resource implications; balance of risk and benefit.</i>	
<b>5. Other factors</b> <i>Indicate here any other factors that you took into account when assessing the evidence base.</i>	

<p><b>6. Evidence statement</b> <i>Please summarise the development group's synthesis of the evidence relating to this key question, taking all the above factors into account, and indicate the evidence level which applies.</i></p>	<p><b>Evidence level</b></p>
<p><b>7. Recommendation</b> <i>What recommendation(s) does the guideline development group draw from this evidence? Please indicate the grade of recommendation(s) and any dissenting opinion within the group.</i></p>	<p><b>Grade of recommendation</b></p>