

## The HTA Core Model™

### *Terms of Use*

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The HTA Core Model™ (later "The Model") aims at fostering international production and reporting of health technology assessments which enables effective collaboration and sharing of information. These terms of use cover any use of the Model including, but not limited to, a) production and publishing of HTA information and b) use of the Model and its information structure in other tools.

Following the EUnetHTA Project 2006-2008, the Model will be subject to further piloting and refinement by the EUnetHTA Collaboration. Interested parties are encouraged to participate in the piloting, provided that the terms indicated below are met.

#### **Production and publishing of HTA information using the Model**

The HTA Core Model is **free for use** by any party provided that the following principles are met:

- a) The Model is used unaltered and in its most recent version available through <http://www.eunethta.net>
- b) The Model is used only for non-commercial purposes, which in this case means that
  - no fees are collected from those parties that produce information using the Model
  - no fees are collected from end users of the information
- c) Any information created using the Model is made publicly available either on the Internet or as paper format.
- d) The origin of the model is disclosed in the final products of the assessment as the EUnetHTA project and related documentation (will be specified later)
- e) The use is registered in advance. Users are encouraged to provide feedback on their experience with using the Model. Visit <http://www.eunethta.net> for more information.

#### **Use of the Model in other tools (including computer software and online services)**

The Model and its information structure can be utilized in academic, governmental and other non-commercial tools that are built for production and publishing of HTA information, provided that the aforementioned conditions (a-e) are met.

#### **Commercial use**

Use of the Model in any commercial activity, including the production and publishing of HTA information and as part of other tools is not allowed. The EUnetHTA Collaboration may allow such use in the future after more specific terms and licence agreement have been agreed on.