

Table 67: Clinical evidence profile: Motivational interviewing versus usual care for first time hearing aid users

Quality assessment							No of patients		Effect		Quality	Importance
No of studies	Design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	Motivational interviewing versus usual care	Control	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute		

International Outcome Inventory for Hearing Aids (Better indicated by lower values)												
1	randomised trials	Very serious ¹	no serious inconsistency	no serious indirectness	serious ²	none	23	23	-	MD 3.1 higher (0.72 to 5.48 higher)	VERY LOW	CRITICAL

¹ Downgraded by 1 increment if the majority of the evidence was at high risk of bias, and downgraded by 2 increments if the majority of the evidence was at very high risk of bias

² Downgraded by 1 increment if the confidence interval crossed one MID or by 2 increments if the confidence interval crossed both MIDs