## Summary of Products

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<th>Product</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>SHTG Advice</strong></td>
<td>SHTG Advice is intended to guide practice across Scotland, following consideration and recommendations by the SHTG Committee.</td>
<td>SHTG Advice is based upon an evidence review that includes numerous elements of a traditional HTA; for example, clinical effectiveness, safety, cost-effectiveness, and other optional domains such as patient and public views, clinical expert opinion, and ethical and social implications of the technology under review. The evidence underpinning SHTG Advice will likely involve a review of existing literature, with additional analyses undertaken to help inform the creation of advice. SHTG Advice is subject to peer review and consultation. SHTG Advice is provided alongside a plain language summary.</td>
<td>Typically completed in approximately <strong>6 months</strong> from acceptance onto the SHTG work programme.</td>
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<td><strong>Evidence Synthesis</strong></td>
<td>SHTG Evidence Syntheses inform policy and practice across Scotland, by providing bespoke review and / or analytic support for time-sensitive decision making.</td>
<td>Evidence Syntheses are customised health technology reviews that contain one or more elements of a traditional Health Technology Assessment (HTA). Evidence Syntheses may include a review of the existing evidence on health technologies, or may involve primary analyses in order to answer the question posed by the referrer; for example, economic analysis, budget impact assessment, qualitative synthesis of patient/public and clinical views. Evidence Syntheses are based on the best evidence that could be identified retrieved or undertaken within the time available – as agreed with the topic referrer. The reports are subject to external peer review.</td>
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<td>Approx. 6 months</td>
<td>3-6 months</td>
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<td><strong>Output</strong></td>
<td>Recommendations / Advice</td>
<td>Bespoke evidence support</td>
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<td><strong>Status</strong></td>
<td>‘Required to consider’ by NHS Scotland</td>
<td>For information</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Exploratory literature review</strong></td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td><strong>Comprehensive literature review, which could include:</strong></td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>O</td>
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<td>– clinical effectiveness</td>
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<td>Optional</td>
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<td>– cost effectiveness</td>
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<td>– safety</td>
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<td>– patient and social aspects</td>
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<td><strong>Budget impact analysis</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Economic modelling</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Patient / public involvement, which could include:</strong></td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td>– public partner review</td>
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<td>Optional</td>
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<td>– patient group input</td>
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<td><strong>Advice / Recommendations</strong></td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td><strong>Plain language summary</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Peer review</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Clinical expert input</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Accountability</strong></td>
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<td>Healthcare Improvement Scotland</td>
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