Week 8 – critical appraisal exercises

Please critically appraise the following two papers using the PRISMA and CHEERS checklists respectively.

a. Systematic review

Giles EL, Robalino S, McColl E, Sniehotta FF, Adams J. The effectiveness of financial incentives for health behaviour change: systematic review and meta-analysis. PLoS One. 2014 Mar 11;9(3):e90347.

PRISMA checklist: http://www.prisma-statement.org/PRISMAStatement/Default.aspx

b. Economic evaluation

Pollock RF1, Muduma G, Valentine WJ. Evaluating the cost-effectiveness of laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding versus standard medical management in obese patients with type 2 diabetes in the UK. Diabetes Obes Metab. 2013 Feb;15(2):121-9.

CHEERS checklist:

http://www.ispor.org/ValueInHealth/ShowValueInHealth.aspx?issue=3D35FDBC-D569-431D-8C27-378B8F99EC67

It would be a good practice to upload your summary of the critical appraisal to the discussion board to compare with others. In real life, disagreement is common and the discussion is always valuable!