

A report that usually includes a review of the highest level of evidence or of recent evidence and that may restrict the literature to one or two databases.

Note 1: The report always:

- describes the characteristics and current use of the technology, and
- evaluates safety and effectiveness issues

Note 2: The report does not always critically appraise the quality of the evidence base or provide information on costs and financial impact.

Note 3: A rapid review is typically not as rigorous as a mini-HTA or a HTA report but is quicker to produce.

Note 4: Related terms include [health technology assessment](#), [HTA report](#), [mini-HTA](#), [level of evidence](#).