

**CRITICAL REVIEW FORM: SYSTEMATIC REVIEW SRMA****Citation:**

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Guide		Comments
<b>I</b>	<b>How Credible was the systematic review process?</b>	
1	Did the review explicitly address a sensible question?	
2	Was the search for relevant studies detailed and exhaustive?	
3	Were the assessments of the included studies reproducible?	
4	Did the review present results that are ready for clinical application?	
5	Did the review address confidence/certainty in estimates of effect (or provide the information you need to do so)?	
<b>II</b>	<b>What were the results, and how much confidence do they warrant?</b>	
1	How serious was the risk of bias in the included studies?	
2	Were the results similar from study to study?	
3	How precise are the results?	
4	Are there concerns about publication bias	

<b>III</b>	<b>What are the implications for caring for my patients?</b>	
1	How can I best interpret the results to apply them to the care of my patients?	
2	Were all patient-important outcomes considered?	
3	Are the benefits worth the costs and potential risks?	