

# IMPACT HTA | WP4

Social costs and their role in economic evaluations of health care decision making

## Overall Objectives

- 1** To determine what wider effects, with specific emphasis on the societal perspective, need to be measured in the context of economic evaluation.
- 2** To identify how such wider effects are valued and whether these can be incorporated into decisions within the health sector in a formal way.
- 3** To produce a core dataset (together with WP 3 that help to incorporate the societal perspective across jurisdictions and a methodology that will ensure sustainable data collection/reporting over time.

## Main Output

### Deliverable D4.1

Revising the methodological aspects applied to the identification, measurement and valuation of social costs in economic evaluations.

### Deliverable D4.2

How relevant is the societal perspective in economic evaluations?

Evidence from five case studies.

A series of selected case studies to quantify different ways of incorporating the social perspective into an economic analysis to inform European decisions.

### Deliverable D4.3

Core dataset of social costs.

Evidence from five case studies.

Creating a database on unit costs in Europe of lost work time and the value of informal and formal care time of unit costs of health services.

**EUHCSD** EUROPEAN HEALTHCARE AND SOCIAL COST DATABASE

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### ICUR Healthcare perspective for depression disease

△ Cost (2018€)

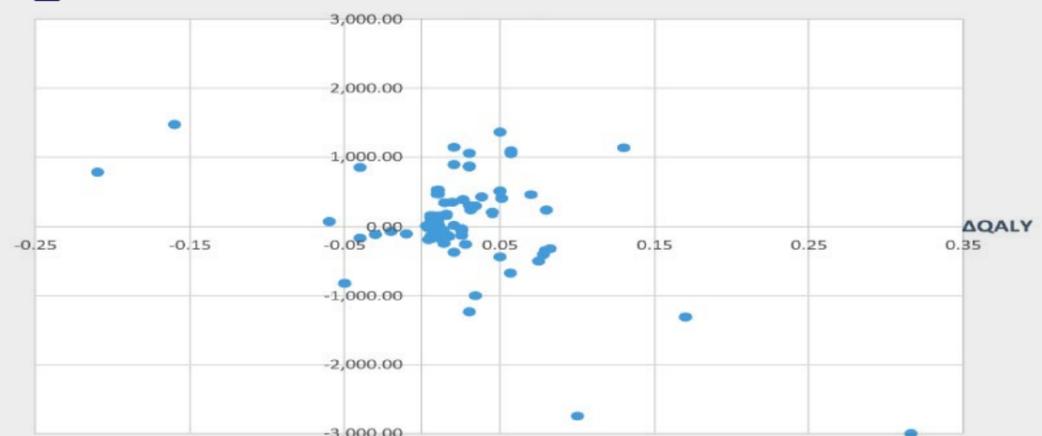


Fig 1. Incremental Cost-Utility ratios from healthcare perspective

### ICUR societal perspective for depression disease

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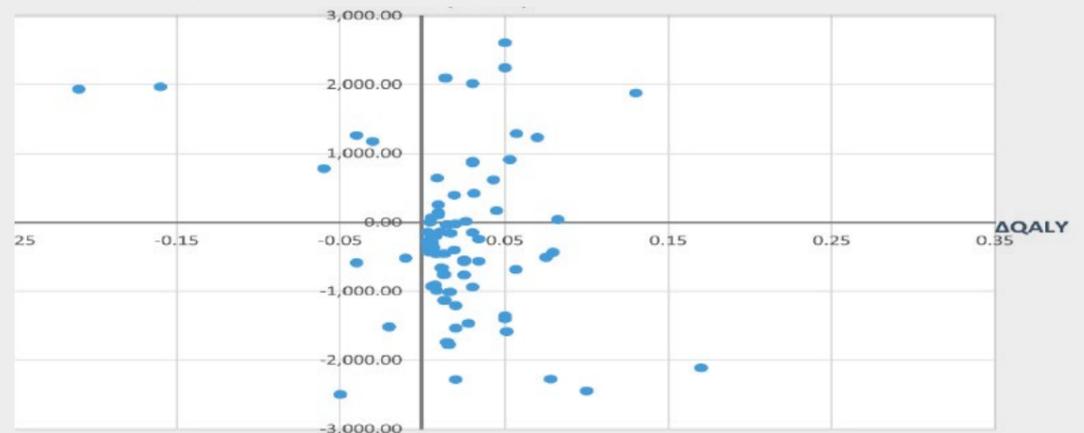


Fig 2. Incremental Cost-Utility ratios from societal perspective

## Applications and Policy Recommendations

- The consideration of the societal perspective can modify the results of economic evaluations.
- This can lead to changes on reimbursement and pricing decisions of health care interventions.
- These changes may be greater in certain therapeutic areas (Alzheimer, mental health) and weaker or non-existent in others (rare diseases).
- A database that facilitates the estimation of social costs could favour the inclusion of a double perspective (health care funder and societal) in the economic evaluations of health care interventions.