

# SCOPE STATEMENT FOR HERC COVERAGE GUIDANCE

## ROUTINE ULTRASOUND IN PREGNANCY

<b>Population description</b>	Pregnant women of average risk <i>Population scoping notes: None</i>
<b>Intervention(s)</b>	Transvaginal ultrasound and/or transabdominal ultrasound(s) on any schedule <i>Intervention exclusions: None</i>
<b>Comparator(s)</b>	Usual prenatal care with ultrasound(s) on any other schedule, no ultrasound
<b>Outcome(s) (up to five)</b>	Critical: Values-congruent reproductive outcomes, timing of delivery, perinatal morbidity  Important: Harms, subsequent interventions  <i>Considered but not selected for GRADE Table: Perinatal mortality, maternal reassurance</i>
<b>Key questions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the comparative effectiveness of routine ultrasound in pregnancy?</li> <li>2. Does the comparative effectiveness of routine ultrasound vary by:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Pregnancy risk level</li> <li>b. Maternal age</li> <li>c. Gestational age (or uncertainty thereof)</li> <li>d. History of preterm labor</li> <li>e. Fetal presentation</li> <li>f. Ultrasound schedule</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. What are the harms of routine ultrasound in pregnancy?</li> </ol>
<b>Contextual questions</b>	

### CHANGE LOG

Date	Change	Rationale
m/d/yyyy		