

## STATE OF WASHINGTON HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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To whom it may concern:

## **SUBJECT:** Topic selected for re-review by HTA program

As the director of the Washington State Health Care Authority, I selected technologies for review by the Health Technology Clinical Committee in consultation with other agencies and the committee itself (70.14 RCW). Technologies are selected when there are concerns about safety, efficacy, or value (cost-effectiveness), when state expenditures are or could be high, and when there is adequate evidence to conduct a review. Technologies are selected for re-review when new evidence is available that could change a previous determination.

In August 2020, **Chronic migraine, or chronic tension-type headache,** which was first reviewed in 2017, was pending further review of the evidence submitted by stakeholders. A formal scan of the literature was conducted by an independent technology assessment center. This review is available on the <u>HTA website</u>. Based on the literature scan, I have selected **Acupuncture for treatment of chronic migraine or chronic tension-type headache** for review by the Health Technology Clinical Committee.

Upon publication of this notice to review **Acupuncture for chronic migraine or chronic tension-type headache**, a 30-day comment period will begin. Any interested person or group may provide information to be considered in the review of the selected topic.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Josh Morse, HTA Program Director, by telephone at 360-725-0839 or via email at <a href="mailto:shtap@hca.wa.gov">shtap@hca.wa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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