Prosthetic intervertebral disc replacement in the cervical spine
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Authors' objectives
This study aims to assess the current evidence on prosthetic intervertebral disc replacement in the cervical spine.

Authors' conclusions
1.1 Current evidence suggests that there are no major safety concerns about the use of prosthetic intervertebral disc replacement in the cervical spine, and there is evidence of short-term efficacy. Clinicians wishing to undertake this procedure should take the following actions. - Ensure that patients understand the long-term uncertainties about the procedure and the alternative treatment options. In addition, use of the Institute's Information for the public is recommended. - Audit and review clinical outcomes of all patients having prosthetic intervertebral disc replacement in the cervical spine.

1.2 This procedure should only be performed in specialist units where surgery of the cervical spine is regularly undertaken.

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