Overview
A Health Technology Assessment (HTA) is a comprehensive document which consists of evidence to support the adoption and utilisation of medical technologies. An HTA includes clinical, economic, social and ethical information regarding technologies. These include pharmaceuticals, diagnostics and other treatment approaches. HTA is used to guide decision makers in their evaluation of new technologies. Decision makers include professionals from diverse backgrounds such as healthcare payers (government agencies; medical insurance schemes) and healthcare providers (hospital management teams; healthcare professionals). As a result there is an increasing need for an introductory course which will provide new users with a sound overview of HTA and its application.

Key Topics
- Key principles and practice
- Identification of HTA reports
- Systematic reviews and meta-analysis
- Clinical evaluation
- Economic evaluation
- Critical appraisal
- Quality assessment
- Context-specific application
- HTA from different perspectives (decision makers, industry, etc.)

Who Will Attend
The course is aimed at professionals who are newly using, or will potentially be referring to, HTA documents. Participants from government agencies and medical insurance companies as well as industry, academia and non-profit organisations are encouraged to attend. The course is aimed at professionals with limited/no technical experience of HTA.

Level: Beginner, no previous experience of HTA is required

Learning Objectives
At the conclusion of this course, participants should be able to:
- Discuss an overview of HTA
- Apply a local and global context of HTA
- Navigate an HTA
- Identify key information in HTA reports
- Discuss an overview of evidence searching, review and grading
- Analyse an overview of clinical evidence
- Discuss an overview of economic evidence
- Identify ethical and social considerations
- Interpret and appraise an HTA

Learning Methods
Learning objectives will be achieved using a mix of theoretical and practical approaches. Theoretical components will include PowerPoint presentations, live demonstration of key aspects and guest speaker presentation. Practical working exercises will include guided group discussions, case study analysis and participant feedback.
THURSDAY | 10 NOVEMBER 2011

08:00  REGISTRATION

08:30  Session 1  
INTRODUCTION AND NAVIGATION OF AN HTA

10:30  COFFEE BREAK

11:00  Session 2  
LITERATURE SEARCH AND REVIEW

13:00  LUNCH

14:00  Session 3  
HTA CONTENT: CLINICAL EVIDENCE

16:00  COFFEE BREAK

16:30  Session 4  
HTA CONTENT: ECONOMIC EVIDENCE

17:30  DRINKS RECEPTION

18:30  END OF DAY ONE

FRIDAY | 11 NOVEMBER 2011

08:30  Session 5  
APPRAISING AN HTA

10:30  COFFEE BREAK

11:00  Session 6  
CONTEXTUALISE AND APPLY THE USE OF HTA  
Including a presentation from guest speaker Stefan Walzer: Value dossiers from a pharmaceutical perspective

13:00  END OF TRAINING COURSE

Venue Information

UBS AG  
Training and Conference Center  
Viaduktstrasse 33  
4002 Basel  
Switzerland

http://www.ubs.com/1/e/abz_basel.html

The UBS Training and Conference Center is conveniently located a 5 minute walk from the main Swiss/France train station in Basel.

Hotel Information

The DIA has blocked a limited number of rooms at the:  
Hotel City Inn  
Centralbahnplatz 14  
4002 Basel  
Phone: +41 (0)61 275 80 00  
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at a special rate from CHF 133.00 per room per night for single or double occupancy. The rate is excluding buffet breakfast at CHF 28.00 per person/day, city tax CHF 3.50 and VAT.

To make your reservation, please contact the hotel directly.

IMPORTANT

To be assured of accommodation at the hotel, registrants are recommended to complete their reservation by 26 October 2011. Reservations received after this date is subject to availability.

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**DIA Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Training Course**

**10-11 November 2011 | UBS Meeting Centre, Basel, Switzerland**

If DIA cannot verify your membership upon receipt of registration form, you will be charged the non-member fee. Registration fee includes course material. The fee is inclusive of lunch and coffee breaks of EUR 125.00 per day.

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NOTE: PAYMENT DUE 30 DAYS AFTER REGISTRATION AND MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY COMMENCEMENT OF THE EVENT

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- __Non-clinical__
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- __Project Management__
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Cancellations must be in writing and be received at the DIA Europe office five working days prior to the course start date

Cancellations are subject to an administrative fee:

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**IMPORTANT:**

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