S2 Table of Included Items

| **N**  | **Reference** | **Country/ries** | **Literature/ Study type**  | **Provider title** | **Category of Barrier**  |
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