**2019 surveillance –** [**Alcohol-use disorders: diagnosis, assessment and management of harmful drinking and alcohol dependence**](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115) **(2011) NICE guideline CG115**

**Stakeholder consultation comments form - proposal ‘no update’**

Consultation on the proposal ‘no update’opens at: 9am on Thursday, 25 April 2019

Comments on proposal to be submitted: no later than 5pm on Wednesday, 8 May 2019

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| **Please enter the name of your registered stakeholder or respondent organisation below.**  Please use this form for submitting your comments to NICE.   1. Please put each new comment in a new row. 2. Please note – we cannot accept comments forms with attachments such as research articles, letters or leaflets. If we receive forms with attachments we will return them without reading the comments. If you resubmit the comments on a form without attachments, this must be by the consultation deadline. 3. If you wish to draw our attention to published studies, please supply the full reference. 4. If you’re commenting for an organisation, your organisation needs to be [registered as a stakeholder](https://www.nice.org.uk/get-involved/stakeholder-registration).   Not eligible? Contact the [registered stakeholder organisation](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115/documents/stakeholder-list-2) that most closely represents your interests and pass your comments to them.  We can accept comments from individuals. These will be considered, but you won’t get a formal response and they won’t be posted on the NICE website. Wherever possible we encourage you to submit your comments through a registered stakeholder organisation. | |
| Organisation name – Stakeholder or respondent  (if you are commenting as an individual rather than a registered stakeholder or respondent organisation, please leave blank): |  |
| Disclosure  Please disclose whether the organisation has any past or current, direct or indirect links to, or receives funding from, the tobacco industry. |  |
| Name of commentator: |  |

[Developing NICE guidelines: the manual](https://www.nice.org.uk/process/pmg20/chapter/1-introduction-and-overview) gives an overview of the processes used in surveillance reviews of NICE clinical guidelines.

| **ID** | **Questions** | **Overall response**  yes / no | **Comments**  Please insert each new comment in a new row |
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| 1 | Do you agree with the proposal not to update the guideline? |  |  |
| 2 | Do you have any comments on areas excluded from the scope of the guideline? |  |  |
| 3 | Do you have any comments on equalities issues? |  |  |
| 4 | A topic expert highlighted that behavioural couples therapy should not be offered where domestic violence is a concern, and this is not currently mentioned within [recommendation 1.3.3.2.](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115/chapter/1-Guidance)  To address this issue we are proposing to make an editorial amendment to recommendation 1.3.3.2 to say: ‘Offer behavioural couples therapy for harmful drinkers and people with mild alcohol dependence who have a regular partner who is willing to participate in treatment, unless there are indicators that a person has experienced, or is a perpetrator of, domestic abuse.’  Do you agree this change is necessary? |  |  |
| 5 | We are not proposing to update pharmacological interventions for harmful drinking and for mild alcohol dependence (drugs mentioned in [section 1.3.3](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115/chapter/1-Guidance)), as the new published evidence identified by the current surveillance review was not deemed to be sufficient to change guideline recommendations.  Are you aware of new evidence, which was not identified by the current surveillance review, on drug regimens for harmful drinking or mild dependence that would change the recommendation? |  |  |
| 6 | We are not proposing to update drug regimens for assisted withdrawal ([recommendation 1.3.5),](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115/chapter/1-Guidance) as the new published evidence identified by the current surveillance review was not deemed to be sufficient to change guideline recommendations.  Are you aware of new evidence, which was not identified by the current surveillance review, on drug regimens for assisted withdrawal that would change the recommendation? |  |  |
| 7 | We are not proposing to update pharmacological interventions after successful withdrawal ([recommendations 1.3.6.4 to 1.3.6.15](https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg115/chapter/1-Guidance)) as the new published evidence identified by the current surveillance review was not deemed to be sufficient to change guideline recommendations.  Are you aware of new evidence, which was not identified by the current surveillance review, on drug regimens after successful withdrawal that would change the recommendations? |  |  |

**Please email this form to:** [**surveillance@nice.org.uk**](mailto:surveillance@nice.org.uk)

**Closing date: 5pm on Wednesday, 8 May 2019**

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