

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

NICE guidelines

Diabetes (type 1 and type 2) in children and young people: diagnosis and management [NG18]

The impact on equality has been assessed during guidance development according to the principles of the NICE equality policy.

4.0 Final guideline (to be completed by the Developer before GE consideration of final guideline)

4.1 Have any additional potential equality issues been raised during the consultation, and, if so, how has the Committee addressed them?

A number of equality issues were raised by stakeholders during consultation. These were in relation to:

- socioeconomic factors and disadvantaged groups

A stakeholder highlighted that capacity and access to dental and oral health services will need to be an ongoing matter of review for commissioners and service providers to ensure that this awareness does not increase health inequalities within this population. The committee agreed and further highlighted the needs of the disadvantaged population in the guideline rationale.

It was also suggested that there might be value in highlighting that free NHS Dental treatment is available for all children and teenagers under 19 years in full time education. The committee agreed and this was added to the guideline rationale and included in the evidence review.

A stakeholder also noted that lack of access to dental and oral health services disproportionately affect the most vulnerable and socially disadvantaged individuals and groups in society and it is vital that services are tailored to support them effectively. Furthermore, another stakeholder added that the guideline should recommend including extra measures for health professionals to proactively engage

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with children and young people from hardly reached or disadvantaged communities to make sure they are supported to attend regular dental appointments. The committee agreed it was not the remit of NICE to decide whether free NHS treatment could be extended to more population groups but further highlighted the needs of the disadvantaged population and lack of dental and oral health services in the guideline rationale.

4.2 If the recommendations have changed after consultation, are there any recommendations that make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access services compared with other groups? If so, what are the barriers to, or difficulties with, access for the specific group?

There are no recommendations that make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access services compared to other groups.

4.3 If the recommendations have changed after consultation, is there potential for the recommendations to have an adverse impact on people with disabilities because of something that is a consequence of the disability?

Amendments made to the recommendations after consultation have not resulted in any adverse impact on people with disabilities accessing dental or oral health care services.

4.4 If the recommendations have changed after consultation, are there any recommendations or explanations that the Committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to, or difficulties with, access to services identified in question 4.2, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to advance equality?

There are no recommendations or explanations that could be made to remove or alleviate barriers to or access to services.

4.5 Have the Committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the final guideline, and, if so, where?

The Committee's consideration of equality issues is detailed in the committee

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discussion sections of the evidence review and in the recommendation rationale and impact sections in the final guideline.

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