

1.0.7 DOC EIA

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

NICE quality standards

Equality impact assessment

Mental health of adults in contact with the criminal justice system

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

1. TOPIC ENGAGEMENT STAGE

1.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during this stage of the development process?
No potential equality issues have been identified at this stage. However, NICE guideline NG66 (Mental health of adults in contact with the criminal justice system) noted in the equality assessment that there is a high prevalence of learning disabilities and neurodevelopmental disorders in the criminal justice system for adults with mental health conditions. The needs of women, older adults, transgender people, young black men and young adults that have transitioned from juvenile services were also specifically considered during guideline development. Some of these groups may be at risk of issues such as non-adherence to treatment or not accessing medical care. This will be considered during the quality standard development.

1.2 Have any population groups, treatments or settings been excluded from coverage by the quality standard at this stage in the process. Are these exclusions justified – that is, are the reasons legitimate and the exclusion proportionate?
This quality standard covers adults in contact with the criminal justice system. Children and young people (under 18 years) are excluded as they will receive care specific to their age-related needs that will not be covered by this quality standard.

Completed by lead technical analyst: Eileen Taylor

Date: 24.04.2017

Approved by NICE quality assurance lead: Nick Baillie

Date: 08.05.2017