

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

Health Technology Appraisal (MTA)

Drugs for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension

Response to consultee and commentator comments on the provisional matrix of consultees and commentators

| Version of matrix of consultees and commentators reviewed: | | | | |
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| Provisional matrix of consultees and commentators sent for consultation | | | | |
| Summary of comments, action taken, and justification of action: | | | | |
| | Proposal: | Proposal made by: | Action taken: Removed/Added/Not included/Noted | Justification: |
| 1. | Some of the patient/carer groups listed (Action Heart and Heart UK) are primarily focused on hypertension, a different disease, and may have little to contribute on PAH | Encysive (UK) Ltd | Removed | This organisation's interests are not closely related to the appraisal topic and therefore they have been removed from the matrix of consultees and commentators. |

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| 2. | Grown Up Congenital Heart Patients Association (GUCH) should be added to the list of consultees | Encysive (UK) Ltd | Noted | Congenital Heart disease is not covered in the licence and therefore this organisation has not been included in the matrix of consultees and commentators. |
| 3. | Beraprost is not used in the UK. | Pulmonary Hypertension Association UK | Removed | This organisation does not have marketing authorisation for their drug and therefore they have been removed from the matrix of consultees and commentators. |
| 4. | National Consortium of Pulmonary Hypertension Directors | NICE Directorate | Added | This organisation has an area of interest closely related to this appraisal topic and meets the selection criteria to participate in this appraisal. National Consortium of Pulmonary Hypertension Directors has been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators under 'professional groups'. |

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| 5. | The British Thoracic Society | NICE Directorate | Added | This organisation has an area of interest closely related to this appraisal topic and meets the selection criteria to participate in this appraisal. The British Thoracic Society has been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators under 'professional groups'. |
| 6. | We can see no reason why the following are being included, Action heart, The British Cardiac Patient Association, Heart UK. | Pulmonary Hypertension Association UK | Removed | This organisation's interests are not closely related to the appraisal topic and therefore they have been removed from the matrix of consultees and commentators. |

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| 7. | Are all of the experts from the designated pulmonary hypertension centres in the UK also being consulted as they have data and experience that would be invaluable? | Raynaud's & Scleroderma Association | Added | National Specialist Commissioning Advisory Group (NSCAG) have an area of interest closely related to this appraisal topic and meets the selection criteria to participate in this appraisal. NSCAG has been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators under 'general'. |
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