

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE  
EXCELLENCE**

**Medical technologies evaluation programme**

**Equality impact assessment – Topic selection and  
scoping**

**MT366 Mepilex Border Heel and Sacrum dressings for  
preventing pressure ulcers**

The impact on equality has been assessed during this evaluation according to the principles of the [NICE Equality scheme](#).

1. Have any potential equality issues been identified during the development of the briefing note or during the Committee meeting, and, if so, what are they?

No.

2. What is the preliminary view as to what extent these potential equality issues need addressing by the Committee?

Not applicable.

3. Does the scope need to highlight any potential equality issues? If so, how?

No. People with diabetes may be at an increased risk of foot ulcers, and patients who have had spinal injuries and people with restricted mobility would likely benefit from this technology. These groups of patients may be considered disabled if their condition has a long term and substantial effect on their daily life. Disability is a protected characteristic covered by the Equality Act 2010.

**Approved by Associate Director:** Mark Campbell

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