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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Chronic heart failure

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 stakeholder requested that the recommendation for cardiac rehabilitation should state that this includes patients with preserved ejection fraction as this would help widen services to include this population who are more difficult to manage than patients with HFRef because of limited treatment available for this group. The committee discussed how the HFPEF population often do not have the same access to cardiac rehabilitation programmes as HFReF patients, because they tend to be an older cohort of patients. The committee considered it was not possible to specifically include this population within the wording of recommendation 1.9.1 because of the lack of evidence in the HFpEF population. They also agreed it was unnecessary because the recommendations apply to all people with CHF throughout the guideline unless a recommendation specifically states it applies to a particular population.

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?

No

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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?

No

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 questions 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to advance equality?

No

no

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

The committee's discussion of equality issues are in the Linking evidence to recommendations sections of the full guideline. See: 7.1.6, access to rehabilitation services for elderly frail patients , 6.2.6.6.pharmacological treatment for an elderly population with comorbidities , 9.3.6 continuity of care for elderly frail less mobile people through regular 6 month GP review, and 5.5.6 variation in access to cardiac MRI for older people.

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