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Equality impact assessment

Stroke and transient ischaemic attack in over 16s: diagnosis and initial management (update)

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?

Comments were raised by stakeholders on one of the research recommendations on the efficacy and safety of intensive interventions to lower blood pressure for people with acute intracerebral haemorrhage who are frail at presentation. Older age was mentioned in the rationale, and feedback suggested that the focus of the text was regarding frailty rather than age, which should not be conflated with fragility and should be treated as separate entities. The committee agreed with this feedback and the research recommendation and rationale were amended and framed on fragility only.

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.

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 question 4.2, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to advance equality?

Not required.

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

The Committee's considerations of equality issues are described in the evidence review on intensive interventions to lower blood pressure in people with intracerebral haemorrhage. In particular in the 'benefits and harms' and 'other considerations' sections of the discussion.

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