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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Atrial Fibrillation: Management (update)

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

1.0 Checking for updates and scope: before scope consultation (to be completed by the Developer and submitted with the draft scope for consultation)

1.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during the check for an update or during development of the draft scope, and, if so, what are they?

1. During the check for the need to update the existing guideline it was noted that there may be potential inequality of treatment for frail and older people in residential care, who may not be receiving anticoagulation.
2. During the check for the need to update the existing guideline it was noted that specific ethnic minority groups most at risk of, or affected by, atrial fibrillation and with related comorbidities may not be receiving equality of diagnosis and treatment.
3. Women with atrial fibrillation are at a higher risk of developing a stroke.

1.2 What is the preliminary view on the extent to which these potential equality issues need addressing by the Committee? For example, if population groups, treatments or settings are excluded from the scope, are these exclusions justified – that is, are the reasons legitimate and the exclusion proportionate?

1. These groups are included in the population of the scope of the guideline.

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Recommendations may be made for specific groups based on their ability to receive anticoagulation.

2. No ethnic minority groups that were more at risk of developing atrial fibrillation or related comorbidities were identified in initial scoping searches. No such population sub-groups are being excluded from the scope.
3. This will need to be taken into consideration by the committee.

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