

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

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?

One stakeholder commented that the guideline does not provide specific recommendations for pregnant women. This population group is not excluded in the guideline, but pregnant women will generally be excluded from any RCT and evidence for management of SAH in this group is likely to be limited. In implementing the recommendations in the guideline, clinicians should take individual patient characteristics into account.

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?

None

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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 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to advance equality?

None

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

Methods chapter

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Updated by Developer

Date: 13/5/21

Approved by NICE quality assurance lead: K Nolan

Date: 22/11/22

5.0 After Guidance Executive amendments – if applicable (to be completed by appropriate NICE staff member after Guidance Executive)

5.1 Outline amendments agreed by Guidance Executive below, if applicable:

Recommendation 1.1.1 wording changed from 'prompt' to 'urgent' to emphasis the seriousness of the condition and the need for urgent action.

Recommendation 1.1.11 wording amended to add the CT head scan should be reported and documented by a radiologist. This was added to address a stakeholder's concern about the potential for SAH being missed if the scan was not read by a radiologist and specifying this in the recommendation. This addition reflects current practice.

None of these changes will have an equalities impact.

Approved by Developer:



Date: 31/10/22

Approved by NICE quality assurance lead: K Nolan

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