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EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

NICE guidelines

Head Injury: Assessment and early management

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

2.0 Checking for updates and scope: after consultation (to be completed by the Developer and submitted with the revised scope)

2.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during consultation, and, if so, what are they?

- Age
- Disability
- Gender reassignment
- Pregnancy and maternity
- Race
- Religion or belief
- Sex
- Sexual orientation
- Socio-economic factors
- Other definable characteristics (these are examples):
 - refugees
 - asylum seekers
 - migrant workers
 - looked-after children
 - people who are homeless
 - prisoners and young offenders
 - any others identified

People with learning disabilities and communication difficulties have been used as example when referring to people with cognitive difficulties.

People in custody – they may be more likely to have experienced a head injury. Initial assessment may be carried out by people not specialist in head injury.

2.2 Have any changes to the scope been made as a result of consultation to highlight potential equality issues?

People with learning disabilities and communication difficulties and people in custody have been added to the section on equality considerations

2.3 Have any of the changes made led to a change in the primary focus of the guideline which would require consideration of a specific communication or engagement need, related to disability, age, or other equality consideration?

If so, what is it and what action might be taken by NICE or the developer to meet this need? (For example, adjustments to committee processes, additional forms of consultation)

No

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