



Surveillance report 2018 – Oral health promotion: general dental practice (2015) NICE guideline NG30

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Surveillance decision

This 2018 surveillance review has taken into account 4 NICE guidelines on the theme of oral health:

- [Dental checks: intervals between oral health reviews](#) (2004) NICE guideline CG19
- [Oral health: local authorities and partners](#) (2014) NICE guideline PH55
- [Oral health promotion: general dental practice](#) (2015) NICE guideline NG30
- [Oral health for adults in care homes](#) (2016) NICE guideline NG48

This report details the surveillance decision for 1 of these guidelines, NICE guideline NG30. Details of the review decisions for the other 3 oral health guidelines, PH55, NG48 and CG19 can be found on the respective NICE webpages.

We will not update the guideline on [oral health promotion](#) at this time.

During surveillance, editorial or factual corrections were identified. Details are included in [appendix A](#): summary of evidence from surveillance.

Reason for the decision

The evidence

We found 28 studies through surveillance of this guideline.

This included evidence on promoting smoking cessation, preventing harmful drinking and the barriers and facilitators to oral health promotion. This evidence supports current recommendations. Limited, mixed evidence was also identified on methods of tailoring oral health advice to individual needs, interventions to reduce dental anxiety, behaviour change interventions and format of information delivery for oral health promotion. No evidence was identified that impacted on NICE guideline NG30.

Equalities

During stakeholder consultation, it was raised that social and economic factors play a significant role in determining oral health outcomes. Inequalities in oral health were considered by the committee during guideline development, and the current recommendations take these into account.

Overall decision

After considering all the evidence and views of topic experts and stakeholders, we decided that no update is necessary for this guideline.

See [how we made the decision](#) for further information.

How we made the decision

We check our guidelines regularly to ensure they remain up to date. We based the decision on surveillance 2 years after the publication of NICE's guideline on oral health promotion (NICE guideline NG30) in 2015.

For details of the process and update decisions that are available, see [ensuring that published guidelines are current and accurate](#) in developing NICE guidelines: the manual.

Evidence

We found 28 relevant studies in a search for all study types published between 1 January 2015 and 24 January 2018.

See [appendix A](#): summary of evidence from surveillance for details of all evidence considered, and references.

Views of topic experts

We considered the views of topic experts, including those who helped to develop the guideline. Overall, topic experts agreed with the decision not to update the guideline at this time, noting that there is no substantially new evidence available which would change the recommendations.

Views of stakeholders

Stakeholders commented on the decision not to update the guideline. Three stakeholders commented. See [appendix B](#) for stakeholders' comments and our responses.

Two stakeholders agreed with the decision to not update the guideline, and 1 disagreed. Comments included that consideration should be made to the social, economic and public policy context around oral health and that there are expected delays in the reform of the NHS contract for general dental practice. After consideration, it was concluded that inequalities in oral health outcomes according to socioeconomic group were considered during guideline development and reflected in the recommendations. It is also anticipated

the recommendations are unlikely to be impacted by the expected delay in NHS general dental practice contract reforms. This is because the guideline aims to recommend the most effective methods of delivering oral health promotion which are applicable in the context of the current, or any future versions of the NHS general dental practice contract.

See [ensuring that published guidelines are current and accurate](#) in developing NICE guidelines: the manual for more details on our consultation processes.

The NICE project team would like to thank the topic experts who participated in the surveillance process.

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