



Surveillance report 2017 – Preventing excess weight gain (2015) NICE guideline NG7

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Surveillance decision

Partial update with scope of published guideline.

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 [preventing excess weight gain \(2015\) NICE guideline NG7](#).

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.

New evidence from 2 year surveillance review on NG7

Two literature searches to identify systematic reviews, randomised controlled trials and cohort studies from May 2014 (the end of the search period for the guideline) to 26 May 2015 on meal planning, eating patterns, weight monitoring, meal setting were undertaken. These areas were prioritised along with portion control by the committee members who responded to the questionnaire from a list of areas that were highlighted in the original guideline as evidence gaps. All of these areas had no systematic review level evidence published between 2005 and 2013 when the guideline was developed. All relevant abstracts were assessed for their impact on the recommendations within NG7.

We reviewed studies highlighted by topic experts for any potential impact on the guideline scope and remit, these are summarised in the evidence summary ([appendix 1](#)).

We checked for ongoing and newly published research from the National Institute for Health Research and Cochrane as well as new policy developments. One published study was included as evidence, and 3 pieces of ongoing research were identified.

See [appendix 1](#): evidence summary for references and assessment of the abstracts for all new evidence considered.

Consideration of the evidence

We found 31 new studies and 3 pieces of ongoing research. This evidence indicates that new evidence is available that impacts directly on:

See [appendix 1](#) for details of the evidence reviewed.

We did not find any new evidence related to recommendation 5 on 'Encourage adults to limit the amount of alcohol they drink', recommendation 7 on 'Clearly communicate the benefits of maintaining a healthy weight', recommendation 8 on 'Clearly communicate the benefits of gradual improvements to physical activity and dietary habit', recommendation 9 on 'Tailor messages for specific groups' or recommendation 10 on 'Ensure activities are integrated with the local strategic approach to obesity'.

Implementation

Nothing identified through implementation feedback indicates a need to update the guideline.

Equalities

No evidence has been found to indicate that the guideline does not comply with anti-discrimination and equalities legislation.

Implications for other NICE programmes

None identified.

Views of topic experts

We considered the views of topic experts, including those who helped to develop the guideline.

Overall decision

Preventing excess weight gain (NG7) should have a partial update of recommendation 1 'Encourage people to make changes in line with existing advice', recommendation 3 'Encourage dietary habits that reduce the risk of excess energy intake' and recommendation 6 'Encourage self-monitoring'.

Date of next surveillance

The timing of the next check to decide whether the guideline should be updated is to be confirmed.

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