

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

### 1 Quality standard title

Motor neurone disease

### 2 Introduction

#### 2.1 *NICE quality standards*

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care.

The standards are derived from high-quality guidance, such as that from NICE or [accredited](#) by NICE. They are developed independently by NICE, in collaboration with health, public health and social care practitioners, their partners and service users. Information on priority areas, people's experience of using services, safety issues, equality and cost impact are considered during the development process.

NICE quality standards are central to supporting the Government's vision for a health and social care system that is focused on delivering the best possible outcomes for people who use services, as detailed in the [Health and Social Care Act \(2012\)](#).

The quality standard development process is described in detail on the [NICE website](#).

#### 2.2 *This topic overview*

This topic overview describes core elements of the quality standard. These include the population and topic to be covered, key source guidance to be used to underpin potential quality statements, any related quality standards,

published current practice information and national or routine indicators and performance measures.

If the source guidance is not NICE guidance, it should meet the minimum quality criteria defined in NICE's [accreditation programme](#).

### **3 This quality standard**

This quality standard is expected to publish in July 2016.

#### **3.1 Population and topic to be covered**

This quality standard will cover the assessment and management of motor neurone disease.

#### **3.2 Key development sources (NICE and NICE-accredited sources)**

##### **Primary source**

- [Motor neurone disease](#). NICE guideline. Publication expected February 2016.

##### **Key policy documents, reports and national audits**

Relevant policy documents, reports and national audits will be used to inform the development of the quality standard.

- National Audit Office (2015) [Services for people with neurological conditions: progress review](#)
- Health and Social Care Information Centre (2014) [Compendium of neurology data, England - 2012-13](#)
- Welsh Government (2014) [Neurological conditions](#)
- NHS England (2013) [Neurosciences: specialised neurology \(adult\)](#)
- NHS England (2013) [Respiratory: complex home ventilation \(adult\)](#)
- NHS England (2013) [Complex Disability Equipment Specialised Wheelchair and Seating Services \(All Ages\)](#)

- NHS England (2013) [Complex Disability Equipment Alternative and Augmentative Communication/Communication Aids \(All Ages\)](#)
- Royal College of Physicians and Association of British Neurologists (2011) [Local adult neurology services for the next decade](#)

### **3.3 Related NICE quality standards**

#### **Published**

- [End of life care for adults](#) (2011) NICE quality standard 13

#### **In development**

- [Multiple sclerosis](#). Publication expected January 2016
- [Home care](#). Publication expected June 2016

#### **Future quality standards**

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all quality standards referred to NICE, including the following quality standards scheduled for future development:

- Neurological problems (relatively uncommon neurological problems e.g. muscular dystrophy)
- Service user and carer experience: services user and carer experience of social care

The full list of quality standard topics referred to NICE is available from the [quality standard topic library](#) on the NICE website.

## **4 Further information**

See the NICE website for more information about [NICE quality standards](#) and the [progress of this quality standard](#).