

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

1 Quality standard title

Renal stones

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.

3 This quality standard

This quality standard is expected to publish in March 2020.

3.1 Population and topic to be covered

This quality standard will cover assessing and managing renal and ureteric stones in children, young people and adults.

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

Primary source

- [Renal and ureteric stones: assessment and management](#) (2019) NICE guideline 118

Other sources that may be used

- [Renal or ureteric colic – acute](#) (2015) Clinical Knowledge Summaries

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.

- British Association of Urological Surgeons (2019) [Percutaneous nephrolithotomy outcomes data](#)
- Getting it Right First Time (2018) [National Speciality Report: Urology](#)

3.3 Related NICE quality standards

Published

- [Chronic kidney disease in adults](#) (2017) NICE quality standard 5
- [Urinary tract infections in adults](#) (2015) NICE quality standard 90
- [Acute kidney injury](#) (2014) NICE quality standard 76
- [Renal replacement therapy services for adults](#) (2014) NICE quality standard 72
- [Urinary tract infection in children and young people](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 36

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

4 Existing indicators

- None identified

5 Further information

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

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