

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

Single Technology Appraisal (STA)

Dabigatran for the prevention of deep vein thrombosis after hip or knee replacement surgery in adults

Response to consultee and commentator comments on the provisional matrix of consultees and commentators (pre-referral)

Version of matrix of consultees and commentators reviewed:				
Provisional matrix of consultees and commentators sent for consultation				
Summary of comments, action taken, and justification of action:				
	Proposal:	Proposal made by:	Action taken: Removed/Added/Not included/Noted	Justification:
1.	We have no objections to the current list of consultees. We would suggest that the British Hip Society would be better listed as professional group.	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd	Noted	The British Hip Society is now listed on the matrix under 'professional' groups.

2.	We would suggest that the British Orthopaedic Association would be better listed as professional groups.	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Noted	The British Orthopaedic Association is now listed on the matrix under 'professional' groups.
3.	We would suggest that the British Lung Foundation would be better listed as a patient/carer group.	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Noted	The British Lung Foundation is now listed on the matrix under 'patient/carer' groups.
4.	We would also like to propose some further organisations as appropriate consultees: British Association for Emergency Medicine	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Not Included	As elective surgery and prophylaxis is not emergency medicine, the British Association for Emergency Medicine have not been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators.

5.	British Geriatrics Society	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore, the British Geriatrics Society has been added to the matrix under 'professional' groups.
6.	British Haematology Society	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Added	This organisation has an area of interest closely related to this appraisal and meets the selection criteria to participate in this appraisal. The British Haematology Society has been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators under 'professional' groups.
7.	College of Emergency Medicine	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Not Included	As elective surgery and prophylaxis is not emergency medicine, the College of Emergency Medicine have not been added to the matrix of consultees and commentators.

8.	National Patient Safety Agency	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic. Therefore, the National Patient Safety Agency has been added to the matrix under 'general' groups.
9.	NHS Alliance	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic. Therefore, the NHS Alliance has been added to the matrix under 'general' groups.
10.	NHS Confederation	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Noted	The NHS Confederation are already listed on the matrix under 'general' groups.
11.	According to the BNF (number 53, March 2007), reviparin (Clivarine) was discontinued earlier this year. Therefore we believe Valeant Pharmaceuticals are an inappropriate commentator.	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Removed	As reviparin is no longer produced, Valeant Pharmaceuticals have been removed from the matrix.

12.	We would also like to propose that the Thrombosis Research Institute would be more properly listed as a consultee.	Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd		Noted	As per the technology appraisal process, all research organisations are included in the matrix under 'commentators'.
13.	Age Concern England	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore, Age Concern England has been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
14.	Help the Aged	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore, Help the Aged has been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.

15.	Counsel and Care	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore Counsel and Care have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
16.	Age Concern Cymru	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore Age Concern Cymru have been added to the matrix under 'general' groups.
17.	British Association for Services to the Elderly	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the British Association for Services to the Elderly have been added to the matrix under 'professional' groups.

18.	Black Health Agency	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the Black Health Agency has been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups
19.	Chinese National Healthy Living Centre	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore Chinese National Healthy Living Centre have been added to the matrix under ' patient/carer' groups.
20.	Confederation of Indian Organisations	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the Confederation of Indian Organisations has been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.

21.	Equalities National Council	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the Equalities National Council have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
22.	Muslim Council of Great Britain	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the Muslim Council of Great Britain have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
23.	Muslim Health Network	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the Muslim Health Network have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.

24.	South Asian Health Foundation	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the South Asian Health Foundation have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
25.	Afiya Trust	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the South Asian Health Foundation have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.
26.	British Ethnic Health Awareness Foundation (BEHAF)	NICE Secretariat		Added	This organisation's interests are closely related to the appraisal topic and as per our inclusion criteria and equalities commitments. Therefore the South Asian Health Foundation have been added to the matrix under 'patient' groups.