

Comments on the ACD Received from the Public Through the NICE Website

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| Location | NHS Wirral, St Catherine's Hospital, Birkenhead |
| Conflict | None |
| Notes | <i>Apologies for the delayed response and appreciate your accepting our late response.</i> |
| Comments on individual sections of the ACD: | |
| Section 1 (Appraisal Committee's preliminary recommendations) | See comments on Section 4 . |
| Section 2 (clinical need and practice) | This was clear and useful in the main. The epidemiological definition of 'small for gestational age' is interesting and has caused much discussion and wonder whether it is appropriate to medicalise what is in essence the 'tail' normal distribution |
| Section 3 (The technology) | This section is clear. |
| Section 4 (Evidence and interpretation) | We note that the quality of evidence is poor in places, and thus were surprised that recommendations were made regarding the technologies in question. |
| Section 5 (implementation) | |
| Section 6 (proposed recommendations for further research) | Appropriate – clearly a need for further 'good quality' research and thus these are welcomed. |
| Section 7 (related NICE guidance) | No comment |
| Section 8 (proposed date of review of guidance) | Given the new research awaited and their dates for delivery – we wonder whether appropriate to bring forward the date slightly – to act on the findings if/as appropriate. |
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