

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

Single Technology Appraisal (STA)

Rituximab for the first line maintenance treatment of follicular non-Hodgkin's lymphoma

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

<b>Version of matrix of consultees and commentators reviewed:</b>					
Provisional matrix of consultees and commentators sent for consultation					
<b>Summary of comments, action taken, and justification of action:</b>					
	<i>Proposal:</i>	<i>Proposal made by:</i>		<i>Action taken:</i> Removed/Added/Not included/Noted	<i>Justification:</i>
1.	It would be helpful to include a representative from the Royal College of Radiologists. This is the professional body that includes clinical oncologists and radiologists who are integral in the management of follicular lymphoma and part of the multi-disciplinary team involved in patient care.	Royal College of Pathologists		Added	The Royal College of Radiologists meets the inclusion criteria and has a close interest in this appraisal topic therefore this organisation has been added to the matrix as a professional group consultee.

2.	Inclusion of BCSH guidelines committee as part of professional groups.	Roche		Noted	The BCSH guidelines committee is a part of the British Society for Haematology. As per inclusion criteria an organisation is listed only once therefore they have been removed from the matrix.
3.	Remove Age Concern	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Completed as per the specific organisations request
4.	Remove Cancer Care Cymru	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Cancer Care Cymru have now closed and have therefore been removed from the matrix.
5.	Remove British Ethnic Health Awareness Fund	NICE Secretariat		Removed	British Ethnic Health Awareness Foundation (BEHAF) has been removed from the Charity Commission records and therefore doesn't meet the inclusion criteria.
6.	Remove Cancerbackup	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Cancerbackup have now merged with Macmillan Cancer Support therefore are no longer listed individually on the matrix.

7.	Remove Cancer Voices	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Cancer Voices have now merged with Macmillan Cancer Support therefore are no longer listed individually on the matrix.
8.	Remove Help the Aged	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Completed as per the specific organisations request.
9.	Remove the United Kingdom Clinical Research Network	NICE Secretariat		Removed	The United Kingdom Clinical Research Network is a part of the National Institute for Health Research, as per inclusion criteria an organisation is listed only once, therefore they have been removed from the matrix.
10.	Add Commissioning Support Appraisals Service	NICE Secretariat		Added	The Commissioning Support Appraisals Service meets the inclusion criteria and has a close interest in this appraisal topic therefore this organisation has been added to the matrix as a general commentator.

11.	Remove the Head and Neck Cancer Research Trust	NICE Secretariat		Added	The Head and Neck Cancer Research Trust meets the inclusion criteria and has a close interest in this appraisal topic therefore this organisation has been added to the matrix as a relevant research group.
12.	Move Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research (previously Leukaemia Research Fund) to relevant research group commentators from patient/carer groups	NICE Secretariat		Amended	
13.	Remove Confederation of Indian Organisations from patient/carer group consultees.	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Confederation of Indian Organisations have now closed, and therefore been removed from the matrix.
14.	Remove Leukaemia Trust from relevant research group commentators.	NICE Secretariat		Removed	Leukaemia Trust has now closed, and therefore been removed from the matrix.