

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE
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HEALTH TECHNOLOGY APPRAISAL PROGRAMME

Equality impact assessment – Guidance development

**STA Clostridium botulinum neurotoxin type A for treating
chronic sialorrhoea**

The impact on equality has been assessed during this appraisal according to the principles of the NICE equality scheme.

Final appraisal determination

(when no ACD was issued)

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| 1. Have the potential equality issues identified during the scoping process been addressed by the committee, and, if so, how? |
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No equality issues were identified at the scoping stage.
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| 2. Have any other potential equality issues been raised in the submissions, expert statements or academic report, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these? |
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The Parkinson's UK patient organisation submission raised the following equality issues:
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Age – the condition predominantly impacts people over 65
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Physical disability – the condition is a movement related disorder
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Communication difficulties – the condition reduces the ability to communicate clearly

Mental health problems – people with the condition experience higher prevalence of depression and anxiety

The committee discussed equality issues, and agreed that its recommendations do not have a different impact on people protected by the equality legislation than on the wider population.

3. Have any other potential equality issues been identified by the committee, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these?

No other potential equality issues were identified.

4. Do the recommendations make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access the technology compared with other groups? If so, what are the barriers to, or difficulties with, access for the specific group?

No.

5. Is there potential for the recommendations to have an adverse impact on people with disabilities because of something that is a consequence of the disability?

No.

6. Are there any recommendations or explanations that the committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to, or difficulties with, access identified in questions 4 or 5, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to promote equality?

N/A

7. Have the committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the final appraisal determination, and, if so, where?

Yes – section 3.18 of the final appraisal determination.

Approved by Associate Director (name): ...Linda Landells

Date: 14/08/2019