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HEALTH TECHNOLOGY APPRAISAL PROGRAMME

Equality impact assessment – Guidance development

STA Selective internal radiation therapy with QuiremSpheres for treating unresectable advanced hepatocellular carcinoma (Partial review of TA688)

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

Final draft guidance

(when no draft guidance was issued)

1. Have the potential equality issues identified during the scoping process been addressed by the committee, and, if so, how?

No potential equality issues identified during the scoping process.

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?

Clinical advice to EAG suggested SIRT can only be performed at specialist treatment centres. It is therefore likely that patients would only receive QuiremSpheres or 90Y SIRTs in larger hospitals. This may impede access for those living further away from these specialist centres. The committee chair and vice chair considered this potential equality issue could not be addressed by the recommendations.

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

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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?
No	
7.	Have the committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the final draft guidance, and, if so, where?
No	

No other potential equality issues been identified by the committee.

Approved by Associate Director (name): Ross Dent

Date: 01/05/2024

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