

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

1 Quality standard title

Cerebral palsy in children and young people

2 Introduction

2.1 *NICE quality standards*

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care.

The standards are derived from high-quality guidance, such as that from NICE or [accredited](#) by NICE. They are developed independently by NICE, in collaboration with health, public health and social care practitioners, their partners and service users. Information on priority areas, people's experience of using services, safety issues, equality and cost impact are considered during the development process.

NICE quality standards are central to supporting the government's vision for a health and social care system that is focused on delivering the best possible outcomes for people who use services, as detailed in the [Health and Social Care Act \(2012\)](#).

The quality standard development process is described in detail on the [NICE website](#).

2.2 *This topic overview*

This topic overview describes core elements of the quality standard. These include the population and topic to be covered, key source guidance to be used to underpin potential quality statements, any related quality standards,

published current practice information and national or routine indicators and performance measures.

If the source guidance is not NICE guidance, it should meet the minimum quality criteria defined in NICE's [accreditation programme](#).

3 This quality standard

This quality standard is expected to publish in October 2017.

3.1 Population and topic to be covered

This quality standard will cover the diagnosis, assessment and management of cerebral palsy in children and young people under 25.

The guideline for cerebral palsy in adults is expected to publish in 2019 at which time the quality standard will be reviewed and updated accordingly.

3.2 Key development sources (NICE and NICE-accredited sources)

Primary source

- [Cerebral palsy](#) (2017). NICE guideline NG62
- [Spasticity in under 19s: management](#) (2012). NICE guideline CG145

Key policy documents, reports and national audits

Relevant policy documents, reports and national audits will be used to inform the development of the quality standard.

- National confidential enquiry into patient outcome and death (NCEPOD) [Chronic Neurodisability, focusing on cerebral palsy study](#). Publication expected November 2017
- Action Cerebral Palsy (2016) [Variations in Care: An analysis of cerebral palsy provision](#)

3.3 Related NICE quality standards

In March 2012, the Department of Health referred a library of quality standard topics for the NHS to NICE for development.

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all topics in the NICE [library of quality standards](#).

Published

- [Preterm labour and birth](#) (2016) NICE quality standard 135.
- [Multiple pregnancy: twin and triplet pregnancies](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 46.
- [Hypertension in pregnancy](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 35.
- [Meningitis \(bacterial\) and meningococcal septicaemia in children and young people](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 19.
- [Patient experience in adult NHS services](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 15.

Future quality standards

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all quality standards referred to NICE, including the following quality standards scheduled for future development:

- Neurological problems (relatively uncommon neurological problems e.g. muscular dystrophy)

The full list of quality standard topics referred to NICE is available from the [quality standard topic library](#) on the NICE website.

4 Further information

See the NICE website for more information about [NICE quality standards](#) and the [progress of this quality standard](#).