

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## Medical technologies evaluation programme

### Equality impact assessment: Topic selection and scoping GID-MT557 Novii Wireless Patch System for maternal and fetal monitoring

The impact on equality has been assessed during this evaluation according to the principles of the [NICE Equality scheme](#).

**1.** Have any potential equality issues been identified during the development of the topic briefing note or during selection, and, if so, what are they?

No equality issues were identified during selection.

Novii Wireless Patch System is intended for pregnant women during labour, including women with a high body mass index. Obesity is more common among people from deprived areas, older age groups, some black and minority ethnic groups and people with disabilities. Invasive fetal monitoring may be unsuitable for some women due to existing medical conditions that are considered disabilities. Sex, disability, race, age, and pregnancy and maternity are protected characteristics.

**2.** What is the preliminary view as to what extent these potential equality issues need addressing by the committee?

It is unlikely that these equality considerations would hinder access of the technology for any specific group and may improve access to monitoring for some groups.

**3.** Has any change to the draft scope been agreed to highlight potential equality issues?

No. The information above was included as a special consideration.

**4.** Have any additional stakeholders related to potential equality issues been identified during the scoping process, and, if so, have changes to the stakeholder list been made?

No additional stakeholders related to potential equality issues were identified during the scoping process.

**Approved by Associate Director:** 2/2/21

**Date:** Chris Chesters (acting AD)