

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES EVALUATION PROGRAMME

### Equality impact assessment – Guidance development

#### moorLDI2-BI: a laser doppler blood flow imager for burn wound assessment

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

#### Consultation

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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 potential equality issues were identified.
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| 2. Have any other potential equality issues been highlighted in the manufacturer's submission, or patient organisation questionnaires, and, if so, how has the Committee addressed these? |
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No potential equality issues were highlighted in the manufacturer's submission or in patient organisation questionnaires.
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| 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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The Committee was advised of the usefulness of this technology for people with dark skin whose burns are often more difficult to evaluate using clinical assessment. The Committee noted this information and agreed it should be included as a consideration.
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| 4. Do the preliminary recommendations make it more difficult in practice |
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for a specific group to access the technology compared with other groups? If so, what are the barriers to access for the specific group?

No specific groups have been identified in the preliminary recommendations.

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

Not applicable.

6. Have the Committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the medical technology consultation document, and, if so, where?

In 4.16 of the medical technology consultation document, a Committee consideration refers to the usefulness of this technology for assessing burn wounds on dark skin (including racially, from suntan, birthmarks and tattoos) which can be difficult to assess clinically.

**Approved by Associate Director (name):** .....

**Date:** [xx/xx/year]

### **Medical technologies guidance document**

1. Have any additional potential equality issues been raised during the consultation, and, if so, how has the Committee addressed these?

No additional potential equality issues were raised during the consultation.

2. If the recommendations have changed after consultation, are there any recommendations that 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 access for the specific group?

Not applicable.

3. If the recommendations have changed after consultation, are there any recommendations or explanations that the Committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to access identified in question 2, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to promote equality?

Not applicable.

4. Have the Committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the medical technologies guidance document, and, if so, where?

In 3.13 the Committee considered that the moorLDI2-BI offers particular advantages for assessing burn wounds on dark skin.

**Approved by Programme Director (name):** Mirella Marlow

**Date:** 14/7/11