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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Brain tumours (primary) and brain metastases in adults

The impact on equality has been assessed during guidance development according to the principles of the NICE equality policy.

- 1.0 Scope: before consultation (To be completed by the developer and submitted with the draft scope for consultation)
 - 1.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during the development of the draft scope, before consultation, and, if so, what are they?

Potential inequalities have been identified relating to age. Advanced age has been used in conjunction with other criteria to restrict/limit treatment in people with primary brain tumours or brain metastases.

1.2 What is the preliminary view on the extent to which these potential equality issues need addressing by the Committee? For example, if population groups, treatments or settings are excluded from the scope, are these exclusions justified – that is, are the reasons legitimate and the exclusion proportionate?

The committee will examine the evidence to see if it supports making differential recommendations based solely on age.

Children (younger than 18) have been excluded from the scope of this guideline as the management of primary brain tumours and brain metastases is different in this group of people compared with adults.

The guideline has focussed on the diagnosis, management and follow up of people with glioma, meningioma and brain metastases because they form the largest adult groups of people with primary brain tumours.

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