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NICE quality standards Equality impact assessment Child abuse and neglect

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

1. TOPIC ENGAGEMENT STAGE

1.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during this stage of the development process?
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Disabled children and young people are at greater risk of abuse and neglect, particularly children and young people with communication impairments and behavioural disorders. Recognition and assessment may be delayed for this group as well as children and young people with long term conditions, as signs of neglect and abuse may be confused with the underlying disability or condition. Some types of neglect and abuse may be more prevalent in different ethnic groups, for example, female genital mutilation and forced marriages are linked to cultural and religious practices in a number of minority ethnic communities in the UK.

1.2 Have any population groups, treatments or settings been excluded from coverage by the quality standard at this stage in the process. Are these exclusions justified – that is, are the reasons legitimate and the exclusion proportionate?
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No population groups or settings have been excluded from coverage at this stage.
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