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## NICE quality standards

# Equality impact assessment

## Lyme disease

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?

People who are pregnant are not able to receive all types of treatment available to treat Lyme disease. Their care will therefore be considered during the development of the quality standard.

It is recognized that the circular, target-like rash (known as erythema migrans) that appears in around two thirds of cases may be difficult to identify in people from black and minority ethnic groups. This will therefore be considered during the development of the quality standard.

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?

No population groups, treatments or settings have been excluded at this stage.

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