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Re: NICE Health Technology Appraisal - Cinacalcet Hydrochloride for the treatment of Secondary Hyperthyroidism in patients with end-stage renal disease on maintenance dialysis therapy

Dear Ms Miller

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Appraisal Consultation Document for the above technology

We consider that the content and provisional recommendations of the appraisal document to constitute a suitable basis for the preparation of guidance to the NHS

We concur that at this point in time, the use of Cinacalcet for the stated purpose does not appear to be a cost effective use of NHS resources, but that further research to examine the impact of biochemical changes in end-stage renal disease on clinical outcomes would be appropriate

Yours sincerely

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