

Professional Expert Questionnaire

Technology/Procedure name & indication:

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Yes

Please answer the following questions as fully as possible to provide further information about the procedure/technology and/or your experience.

Please note that questions 10 and 11 are applicable to the Medical Technologies Evaluation Programme (MTEP). We are requesting you to complete these sections as future guidance may also be produced under their work programme.

<p>1</p> <p>Please describe your level of experience with the procedure/technology, for example:</p> <p>Are you familiar with the procedure/technology?</p> <p>Have you used it or are you currently using it?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do you know how widely this procedure/technology is used in the NHS or what is the likely speed of uptake? - Is this procedure/technology performed/used by clinicians in specialities other than your own? - If your speciality is involved in patient selection or referral to another speciality for this 	<p>Most frequent user of this technology in the UK. Very familiar with technology</p> <p>I am currently using it</p> <p>Used in most teaching hospitals</p> <p>ENT and Respiratory</p> <p>My speciality is involved directly. I perform 5-8 procedures per week.</p>
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	procedure/technology, please indicate your experience with it.	
2	<p>– Please indicate your research experience relating to this procedure (please choose one or more if relevant):</p>	<p>I have done bibliographic research on this procedure.</p> <p>I have done clinical research on this procedure involving patients.</p> <p>I have published this research.</p>
3	<p>How innovative is this procedure/technology, compared to the current standard of care? Is it a minor variation or a novel approach/concept/design?</p> <p>Which of the following best describes the procedure (please choose one):</p>	<p>It is a standard of care</p> <p>Established practice and no longer new.</p>
4	Does this procedure/technology have the potential to replace current standard care or would it be used as an addition to existing standard care?	It is a standard of care

Current management

5	Please describe the current standard of care that is used in the NHS.	Balloon dilatation
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<p>6 Are you aware of any other competing or alternative procedure/technology available to the NHS which have a similar function/mode of action to this?</p> <p>If so, how do these differ from the procedure/technology described in the briefing?</p>	<p>No</p>
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Potential patient benefits and impact on the health system

7	What do you consider to be the potential benefits to patients from using this procedure/technology?	Minimal trauma
8	Are there any groups of patients who would particularly benefit from using this procedure/technology?	Airway stenosis cases
9	Does this procedure/technology have the potential to change the current pathway or clinical outcomes to benefit the healthcare system? Could it lead, for example, to improved outcomes, fewer hospital visits or less invasive treatment?	It is in the current pathway and does benefit patients and the healthcare system
10 - MTEP	Considering the care pathway as a whole, including initial capital and possible future costs avoided, is the procedure/technology likely to cost more or less than current standard care, or about the same? (in terms of staff, equipment, care setting etc)	It is the current standard of care. Most units that need to be using it are. It is relatively inexpensive and the additional burden on healthcare costs is small
11 - MTEP	What do you consider to be the resource impact from adopting this procedure/technology (is it likely to cost more or less than standard care, or about same-in terms of staff, equipment, and care setting)?	Same in terms of staff and equipment
12	What clinical facilities (or changes to existing facilities) are needed to do this procedure/technology safely?	Very little other than training

13	Is any specific training needed in order to use the procedure/technology with respect to efficacy or safety?	Yes training required but likely to be short
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Safety and efficacy of the procedure/technology

14	<p>What are the potential harms of the procedure/technology?</p> <p>Please list any adverse events and potential risks (even if uncommon) and, if possible, estimate their incidence:</p> <p>Adverse events reported in the literature (if possible, please cite literature)</p> <p>Anecdotal adverse events (known from experience)</p> <p>Theoretical adverse events</p>	<p>There is a real risk of rupturing the trachea, bronchi or oesophagus if the balloon is over sized or over-inflated.</p> <p>I have anecdotal evidence for this</p>
15	Please list the key efficacy outcomes for this procedure/technology?	Improves the airway and disabling symptoms of shortness of breath.
16	Please list any uncertainties or concerns about the efficacy and safety of this procedure/?	Very few if clinician is trained and follows this guidance
17	Is there controversy, or important uncertainty, about any aspect of the procedure/technology?	There is debate around compliant and non-compliant balloon types but personally I do not believe there is any great difference
18	If it is safe and efficacious, in your opinion, will this procedure be carried out in (please choose one):	A minority of hospitals, but at least 10 in the UK.

Abstracts and ongoing studies

<p>19</p>	<p>Please list any abstracts or conference proceedings that you are aware of that have been recently presented / published on this procedure/technology (this can include your own work).</p> <p>Please note that NICE will do a comprehensive literature search; we are only asking you for any very recent abstracts or conference proceedings which might not be found using standard literature searches. You do not need to supply a comprehensive reference list but it will help us if you list any that you think are particularly important.</p>	<p>An abundance of literature but nothing new or innovative that I am aware of.</p> <p>I present this technique regularly at meetings</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>Are there any major trials or registries of this procedure/technology currently in progress? If so, please list.</p>	<p>None I am aware of</p>

Other considerations

<p>21</p>	<p>Approximately how many people each year would be eligible for an intervention with this procedure/technology, (give either as an estimated number, or a proportion of the target population)?</p>	<p>Maybe 1000 a year</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>Are there any issues with the usability or practical aspects of the procedure/technology?</p>	<p>Airway control and management</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>Are you aware of any issues which would prevent (or have prevented) this procedure/technology being adopted in your organisation or across the wider NHS?</p>	<p>None</p>

24	Is there any research that you feel would be needed to address uncertainties in the evidence base?	Currently significant evidence to support this
25	<p>Please suggest potential audit criteria for this procedure/technology. If known, please describe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Beneficial outcome measures. These should include short- and long-term clinical outcomes, quality-of-life measures and patient-related outcomes. Please suggest the most appropriate method of measurement for each and the timescales over which these should be measured. - Adverse outcome measures. These should include early and late complications. Please state the post procedure timescales over which these should be measured: 	<p>Beneficial outcome measures: Lung function tests, flow volume loops. QoL outcomes and dyspnoea scores</p> <p>Adverse outcome measures: Adverse outcomes are nearly always early ie visceral tears. Any recorded prolonged and unexpected hospital stay.</p>

Further comments

26	Please add any further comments on your particular experiences or knowledge of the procedure/technology,	
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Declarations of interests

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