## NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## **NICE** guidelines

## **Equality impact assessment**

## Renal Stones: the Assessment and Management of Renal Stones

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

- 1.0 Checking for updates and scope: before scope 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 check for an update or during development of the draft scope, and, if so, what are they?

Extra Corporeal shock wave lithotripsy (ESWL) equipment is limited to major urology centres, requiring patients from other locations to travel. Smaller units may have access to hired mobile units resulting in increased waiting times for patients in these locations.

Risks to women of childbearing age related to doses of radiation exposure during imaging techniques.

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 clinical and cost effectiveness of ESWL is included in the scope.

The evidence for imaging in women of child bearing age will be considered

separately to the general population.	
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