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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Hip, knee and shoulder joint replacement

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?

- People with cognitive impairments including dementia and learning disabilities
- Older people
- People with religious beliefs that prevent certain aspects of surgery.

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 committee should consider addressing the ability of people with cognitive impairments, including dementia and learning disabilities, when making recommendations designed to help patients make decisions about their management and interpreting patient reported outcome measures. The committee should ensure recommendations are appropriately directed toward individual capabilities rather than chronological age.

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The committee should consider facilitators and barriers to post-operative rehabilitation (for example, physiotherapy and occupational therapy) and self-directed programmes.

The committee should consider additional options for people with religious beliefs that prevent a specific aspect of surgery, such as a blood transfusion.