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NICE quality standards

Equality impact assessment

Cystic fibrosis

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?
No equality issues relating to protected characteristics defined in the Equality Act have been identified at this stage. However, development of the draft cystic fibrosis (CF) guideline recognised that populations living in isolated areas may not have the same geographical access to CF services (as CF care is given through specialist centres). This potential issue will 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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