National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

# Epilepsies in children, young people and adults (update)

**Consultation on draft quality standard – deadline for comments 5pm on 13/07/23**

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Note: During development of the draft quality standard, the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency announced that new safety measures for valproate-containing medicines are to be put in place. NICE’s guideline on epilepsies in children, young people and adults will be updated when more information on these safety measures is published. The draft quality standard does not cover the new safety measures.

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  4. For draft quality statement 1: Is it feasible for epilepsy specialist nurses to be the ‘clinician with expertise in epilepsy’ who identifies the cause of a seizure and ensures a correct diagnosis is made?
  5. For draft quality statement 5: Statement 5 covers planned epilepsy appointments. Are there specific types of epilepsy appointments that should be included or excluded from this statement?
  6. For draft quality statement 5: Is there enough time and capacity at epilepsy appointments to ask about cognitive function, mental health, social and emotional wellbeing and, where relevant, neurodevelopment and learning disabilities?
  7. For draft quality statement 5: Statement 5 covers cognitive function, mental health, social and emotional wellbeing, and, where relevant, neurodevelopment and learning disabilities. It also covers all people with epilepsy. Would it be helpful to focus the statement on a smaller number of areas or a particular population group? If so, what should it focus on?
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