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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Developmental Follow-up of Preterm Babies

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

- 1.0 Scope: before 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 development of the draft scope, before consultation, and, if so, what are they?

(Please specify if the issue has been highlighted by a stakeholder)

The following groups have been identified:

- Individuals from multi-lingual backgrounds.
- Ethnicity (stakeholders suggested that this can influence developmental norms).
- Individuals with a family history of learning difficulties or developmental problems and disorders.
- Travellers/people living in temporary accommodation.
- People from disadvantaged socio-economic groups.
- Young maternal age (as this may impact on uptake of pre-term follow-up services.
- 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?

For groups where equality issues have been identified the Committee will consider whether data should be analysed separately and separate recommendations are required on a case-by-case basis.