

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## Medical technologies evaluation programme

### Equality impact assessment: Topic selection and scoping

#### MT445 SEM Scanner 200 for pressure ulcer prevention

The impact on equality has been assessed during this evaluation according to the principles of the [NICE Equality scheme](#).

**1.** Have any potential equality issues been identified during the development of the topic briefing note or during selection, and, if so, what are they?

No equality issues were identified during the scoping process. Equality considerations identified during scoping are that SEM Scanner assesses moisture levels and avoids subjective tests of skin colouration so may allow for earlier detection of tissue damage in people with dark skin tones. People with restricted mobility are at an increased risk of developing pressure ulcers and would likely benefit from this device.

**2.** What is the preliminary view as to what extent these potential equality issues need addressing by the committee?

The Committee needs to give due regard to the groups specified in the scope in the equality considerations section and restated in question 1 above.

**3.** Has any change to the draft scope been agreed to highlight potential equality issues?

No

**4.** Have any additional stakeholders related to potential equality issues been identified during the scoping process, and, if so, have changes to the stakeholder list been made?

No

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