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NICE guidelines

Equality impact assessment

Specialist Neonatal Care

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

2.0 Checking for updates and scope: after consultation (to be completed by the Developer and submitted with the revised scope)

2.1 Have any potential equality issues been identified during consultation, and, if so, what are they?

One stakeholder suggested that ethnically appropriate gestation cut-offs for intervention should be defined, in light of evidence of increased risk of adverse outcomes including meconium aspiration syndrome in women of south Asian and African origin.

2.2 Have any changes to the scope been made as a result of consultation to highlight potential equality issues?

No, as interventions relating to the mother are not included in the scope.

2.3 Is the primary focus of the guideline a population with a specific disability-related communication need?

If so, do the key messages for the public need to be produced in an alternative version?

If so, which alternative version is recommended?

The alternative versions available are:

- large font or audio versions for a population with sight loss
- British Sign Language videos for a population deaf from birth
- 'Easy read' versions for people with learning disabilities or cognitive impairment.

Does an alternative version(s) of the consultation documents also need to be produced?

No.

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