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# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## NICE guidelines

### Equality impact assessment

### **Mental health of adults in contact with the criminal justice system: Identification and management of mental health problems and integration of care for adults in contact with the criminal justice system**

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

#### **3.0 Guideline development: before consultation (to be completed by the Developer before consultation on the draft guideline)**

3.1 Have the potential equality issues identified during the scoping process been addressed by the Committee, and, if so, how?

The recommendations have been developed in order to apply equally to all groups. The guideline committee (GC) were aware that there is a high prevalence of learning disabilities and neurodevelopmental disorders in the criminal justice system for people with mental health conditions. Therefore, the GC considered specifically for these populations throughout the guidelines. Moreover, the needs of women, older adults, victims, transgender people, young black men and young adults that have transitioned from juvenile services were also specifically considered.

3.2 Have any **other** potential equality issues (in addition to those identified during the scoping process) been identified, and, if so, how has the Committee addressed them?

No others were identified during development.

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3.3 Have the Committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the guideline for consultation, and, if so, where?

Equalities issues were considered in the discussions when recommendations were drafted and this was recorded where applicable in the 'Evidence to Recommendation' sections of the guideline document. All protocols cross reference the equalities impact assessment forms and highlight additional considerations if there was a need for this.

3.4 Do the preliminary recommendations make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access services compared with other groups? If so, what are the barriers to, or difficulties with, access for the specific group?

Nothing was identified.

3.5 Is there potential for the preliminary recommendations to have an adverse impact on people with disabilities because of something that is a consequence of the disability?

Nothing was identified.

3.6 Are there any recommendations or explanations that the Committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to, or difficulties with, access to services identified in questions 3.1, 3.2 or 3.3, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligation to advance equality?

Not applicable.

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