

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

## QUALITY STANDARD TOPIC OVERVIEW

### 1 Quality standard title

Diabetes in pregnancy

### 2 Introduction

#### 2.1 *NICE quality standards*

NICE quality standards are a concise set of prioritised statements designed to drive measurable quality improvements within a particular area of health or care.

The standards are derived from high-quality guidance, such as that from NICE or [accredited](#) by NICE. They are developed independently by NICE, in collaboration with health, public health and social care practitioners, their partners and service users. Information on priority areas, people's experience of using services, safety issues, equality and cost impact are considered during the development process.

NICE quality standards are central to supporting the Government's vision for a health and social care system that is focused on delivering the best possible outcomes for people who use services, as detailed in the [Health and Social Care Act \(2012\)](#).

The quality standard development process is described in detail on the [NICE website](#).

#### 2.2 *This topic overview*

This topic overview describes core elements of the quality standard. These include the population and topic to be covered, key source guidance to be used to underpin potential quality statements, any related quality standards,

published current practice information and national or routine indicators and performance measures.

If the source guidance is not NICE guidance, it should meet the minimum quality criteria defined in NICE's [accreditation programme](#).

### **3 This quality standard**

This quality standard is expected to publish in January 2016.

#### **3.1 Population and topic to be covered**

This quality standard will cover the management of diabetes and its complications in women (all females of childbearing potential) who are planning a pregnancy and those who are already pregnant. It will also cover areas where additional or different care should be offered to women with diabetes and their newborn babies.

#### **3.2 Key development sources (NICE and NICE-accredited sources)**

##### **Primary source**

- [Diabetes in pregnancy: management of diabetes and its complications from preconception to the postnatal period](#) (2015) NICE guideline NG3

##### **Other sources that may be used**

- [Antenatal and postnatal mental health: clinical management and service guidance](#) (2014) NICE guideline CG192
- [Intrapartum care](#) (2014) NICE guideline CG190
- [Postnatal care](#) (2014) NICE guideline CG37
- [Small-for-gestational-age fetus, investigation and management \(Green-top guideline no. 31\)](#) (2013) Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists
- [Management of diabetes](#) (2010) SIGN
- [Antenatal care](#) (2008) NICE guideline CG62
- [Diabetes in children and young people](#) (update). NICE guideline.  
Publication expected August 2015

- [Type 1 diabetes in adults](#) (update). NICE guideline. Publication expected August 2015
- [Type 2 diabetes in adults](#) (update). NICE guideline. Publication expected August 2015

### **Key policy documents, reports and national audits**

Relevant policy documents, reports and national audits will be used to inform the development of the quality standard.

- NHS England (2014) [Action for diabetes](#)
- Public Health England (2014) [Adult obesity and type 2 diabetes](#)
- Health & Social Care Information Centre (2014) [National pregnancy in diabetes audit report 2013](#)
- Diabetes UK (2013) [State of the nation 2013](#)
- House of Commons Public Accounts Committee (2012) [Seventeenth report: Department of Health: The management of adult diabetes services in the NHS](#)
- Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists (2011) [Diagnosis and treatment of gestational diabetes \(scientific impact paper no. 23\)](#)
- Scottish Government (2010) [Diabetes Action Plan 2010: Quality care for diabetes in Scotland](#)
- Confidential Enquiry into Maternal and Child Health (2007) [Diabetes in pregnancy: are we providing the best care? Findings of a national enquiry](#)
- Department of Health (2003) [National Service Framework for diabetes: Delivery strategy](#)

### **3.3 Related NICE quality standards**

#### **Published**

- [Postnatal care](#) (2013) NICE quality standard 37
- [Antenatal care](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 22
- [Patient experience in adult NHS services](#) (2012) NICE quality standard 15
- [Diabetes in adults](#) (2011) NICE quality standard 6

### **In development**

- Antenatal and postnatal mental health
- Intrapartum care

### **Future quality standards**

This quality standard will be developed in the context of all quality standards referred to NICE, including the following quality standards scheduled for future development:

- Contraceptive services (including emergency contraception)

The full list of quality standard topics referred to NICE is available from the [quality standard topic library](#) on the NICE website.

## **4 Existing indicators**

- The Health and Social Care Information Centre [Maternity services data set](#)
- [Diabetes mellitus](#) (2013) QOF NM70

## **5 Further information**

See the NICE website for more information about [NICE quality standards](#) and the [progress of this quality standard](#).