

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE

HEALTH TECHNOLOGY APPRAISAL PROGRAMME

Equality impact assessment – Guidance development

STA Guselkumab for treating moderately to severely active ulcerative colitis

The impact on equality has been assessed during this appraisal according to the principles of the NICE equality scheme.

Final draft guidance

(when no draft guidance was issued)

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| 1. | Have the potential equality issues identified during the scoping process been addressed by the committee, and, if so, how? |
| The chairs acknowledged that the nature of ulcerative colitis may constitute a disability, and an additional at-home treatment may be beneficial to certain groups. | |

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| 2. | Have any other potential equality issues been raised in the submissions, expert statements or academic report, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these? |
| A patient organisation statement added that the impact of active ulcerative colitis and the effects of surgery may interfere with religious practices and cause distress. The chairs acknowledged these points and noted that guselkumab may be beneficial for certain groups. | |

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| 3. | Have any other potential equality issues been identified by the committee, and, if so, how has the committee addressed these? |
| No. | |

4.	Do the preliminary recommendations make it more difficult in practice for a specific group to access the technology compared with other groups? If so, what are the barriers to, or difficulties with, access for the specific group?
No.	

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?
No.	

6.	Are there any recommendations or explanations that the committee could make to remove or alleviate barriers to, or difficulties with, access identified in questions 4 or 5, or otherwise fulfil NICE's obligations to promote equality?
No.	

7.	Have the committee's considerations of equality issues been described in the appraisal consultation document, and, if so, where?
No.	

Approved by Associate Director (name):Janet Robertson.....

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