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Dear Christopher

Single Technology Appraisal: Fludarabine for the treatment of lymphocytic leukaemia – Appraisal Consultation Document

Thank you for inviting the Department of Health to comment on NICE's Appraisal Consultation Document on Fludarabine, for the treatment of lymphocytic leukaemia.

The Department has no substantive comments to make, though colleagues noted that the key trial in the Fludarabine appraisal has limited follow-up, with no known survival difference, and very limited quality of life data. This is presumably reflected in the wide range of cost effectiveness estimates.

Yours sincerely