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National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence

## **Telbivudine for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B**

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Royal College of Nursing

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### **Introduction**

With a membership of over 400,000 registered nurses, midwives, health visitors, nursing students, health care assistants and nurse cadets, the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) is the voice of nursing across the UK and the largest professional union of nursing staff in the world. RCN members work in a variety of hospital and community settings in the NHS and the independent sector. The RCN promotes patient and nursing interests on a wide range of issues by working closely with the Government, the UK parliaments and other national and European political institutions, trade unions, professional bodies and voluntary organisations.

### **Appraisal consultation document – RCN Response**

The Royal College of Nursing welcomes the opportunity to review the Appraisal Consultation Document on the use of Telbivudine for the treatment of chronic hepatitis B.

Nurses working in this area of health have reviewed this document. The consultation document is comprehensive. There is no further information to add to the proposals set out in the Appraisal Consultation Document.

The RCN will welcome guidance to the NHS on the use of this health technology.