NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND CARE EXCELLENCE RPP decision paper

Review of TA279; Percutaneous vertebroplasty and percutaneous balloon kyphoplasty for the treatment of osteoporotic vertebral fractures

Final recommendation post consultation

The guidance should be transferred to the 'static guidance' list.

1. Background

This guidance was issued in April 2013.

At the GE meeting of 10 November 2015 it was agreed that we would consult on the recommendations made in the GE proposal paper. A four week consultation has been conducted with consultees and commentators and the responses are presented below.

2. Proposal put to consultees and commentators

The guidance should be transferred to the 'static guidance' list.

3. Rationale for selecting this proposal

The systematic review suggests that the new evidence identified is broadly consistent with the Committee's considerations in Technology Appraisal 279 (TA279). In particular, no evidence was identified to suggest that vertebroplasty and balloon kyphoplasty are substantially less effective than previously thought, and limited evidence was found to address key uncertainties about the survival benefits associated with these treatments.

4. Summary of consultee and commentator responses

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Respondent: Johnson & Johnson Medical	Comment from Technology Appraisals
Response to proposal: Agree	Thank you for your comment. No changes
Johnson & Johnson Medical concur with this decision.	to the recommendation are needed.

Respondent: Medtronic	Comment from Technology Appraisals
Response to proposal: Agree	Thank you for your comment. No changes to the recommendation are needed.
The Institutes review of the studies, and conclusion that they are broadly consistent with the committee's conclusions in TA279, is in line with our own supporting evidence provided as part of the review planning. Consequently Medtronic support the Guidance Executive's proposal to place TA279 on to the static list.	

Respondent: Royal College of Nursing	Comment from Technology Appraisals
Response to proposal: Agree	Thank you for your comment. No changes to the recommendation are needed.
Nurses caring for people with osteoporotic fractures were invited to review the documents on behalf of the RCN.	
Our members have indicated that they not aware of any other groups that should be involved in this consultation in addition to the ones listed by NICE. They have also commented that they are not aware of any evidence that would influence the decision to change existing recommendations.	

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