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Proposed Single Technology Appraisal (STA)

Rifaximin for the maintenance treatment of hepatic encephalopathy

Provisional matrix of consultees and commentators (pre-referral)

Consultees	Commentators (no right to submit or appeal)
Manufacturers/sponsors	General
Manufacturers/sponsors Norgine (rifaximin) Patient/carer groups Afiya Trust Alliance Black Health Agency British Liver Trust Chinese National Healthy Living Centre Counsel and Care0 Drugs action Drugsscope Equalities National Council Hepatitis A -Z Hepatitis B Foundation UK Muslim Council of Britain Muslim Health Network South Asian Health Foundation Specialised Healthcare Alliance The PBC Foundation Youth Net Professional groups Association of Clinical Microbiologists Association of Nurses in Substance Abuse British Association for Services to the	appeal)
 Elderly British Association for the Study of the Liver British Association for the Study of the Liver Nurses Forum British Geriatrics Society British Infection Association British Liver Nurses Forum British Society of Gastroenterology 	Relevant research groups • Foundation for Liver Research

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Consultees	Commentators (no right to submit or appeal)
 British Viral Hepatitis Group Health Protection Agency Hepatitis Nurse Specialist Forum Infection Control Nurses Association National Pharmacy Association Royal College of General Practitioners Royal College of Nursing Royal College of Pathologists Royal College of Physicians Royal Pharmaceutical Society Royal Society of Medicine Society for General Microbiology UK Clinical Virology Network United Kingdom Clinical Pharmacy Association 	 Evidence Review Group Evidence Review Group tbc National Institute for Health Research Health Technology Assessment Programme Associated Guideline Groups National Clinical Guidelines Centre Associated Public Health Groups tbc
Others Department of Health NHS Haringey NHS Swindon Welsh Assembly Government	

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Definitions:

Consultees

Organisations that accept an invitation to participate in the appraisal; the manufacturer(s) or sponsor(s) of the technology; national professional organisations; national patient organisations; the Department of Health and the Welsh Assembly Government and relevant NHS organisations in England.

The manufacturer/sponsor of the technology is invited to make an evidence submission, respond to consultations and has the right to appeal against the Final Appraisal Determination (FAD).

All non-manufacturer/sponsor consultees are invited to submit a statement[1], respond to consultations, nominate clinical specialists or patient experts and have the right to appeal against the Final Appraisal Determination (FAD).

Commentators

Organisations that engage in the appraisal process but that are not asked to prepare an evidence submission or statement, are able to respond to consultations and they receive the FAD for information only, without right of appeal. These organisations are: manufacturers of comparator technologies; NHS Quality Improvement Scotland; the relevant National Collaborating Centre (a group commissioned by the Institute to develop clinical guidelines); other related research groups where appropriate (for example, the Medical Research Council [MRC], National Cancer Research Institute); other groups (for example, the NHS Confederation, NHS Alliance and NHS Commercial Medicines Unit, and the British National Formulary.

All non-manufacturers/sponsors commentators are invited to nominate clinical specialists or patient experts.

Evidence Review Group (ERG)

An independent academic group commissioned by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Health Technology Assessment Programme (HTA Programme) to assist the Appraisal Committee in reviewing the manufacturer/sponsor evidence submission to the Institute.

[1] Non manufacturer consultees are invited to submit statements relevant to the group they are representing.

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