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Single Technology Appraisal (STA)

Rifaximin for maintaining remission from episodes of hepatic encephalopathy

Matrix of consultees and commentators

Consultees	Commentators (no right to submit or appeal)
Manufacturers/sponsors Norgine (rifaximin) Patient/carer groups Afiya Trust Action on Hepatitis C Addaction Alliance Black Health Agency British Liver Trust Chinese National Healthy Living Centre Counsel and Care Drugs action Drugsscope Equalities National Council Hepatitis A -Z Hepatitis B Foundation UK Hepatitis C Trust Muslim Council of Britain Muslim Health Network PBC Foundation South Asian Health Foundation Specialised Healthcare Alliance Youth Net	, <u> </u>
 Association of Medical Microbiologists Association of Nurses in Substance Abuse British Association for Services to the Elderly British Association for the Study of the Liver British Association for the Study of the Liver Nurses Forum 	 Intrapharm laboratories (lactulose) Lloyds pharmacy (lactulose) Mylan (lactulose) Novartis (lactulose) LPC Pharmaceuticals (lactulose) Sandoz UK (lactulose) Teva UK (lactulose, neomycin) Relevant research groups

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 British Geriatrics Society British Infection Association British Liver Nurses Forum British Society of Gastroenterology 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 	 CORE - Digestive Disorders Foundation Foundation for Liver Research MRC Clinical Trials Unit National Institute of Health Research Research Institute for the Care of Older People Evidence Review Group National Institute for Health Research Health Technology Assessment Programme Peninsula Technology Assessment Group (PenTAG) Associated Guideline Groups National Clinical Guidelines Centre Associated Public Health Groups None
 Others North Central London PCT Cluster Swindon and Gloucestershire PCT Cluster Department of Health Welsh 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.